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Dedicated to the memory of

Elbert Royal Nichols, Sr (1889-1966)
Mary Frances Piercy Nichols (1893-1964)

In honor of

Jim Tom Williams (1931-1994)
Margaret Alice Nichols Williams (b. 1934)

And my cousins who have provided information and
inspiration for this book. I am overjoyed
and grateful for what our grandparents did!

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Introduction



I read somewhere that everyone should write about their family... Well, here goes!

My great grandfather and my grandmother wrote about our family. I have gotten so much joy and insight into their lives through these writings that I have chosen to write about our family too.

The first section of this book is from the thesis written by Newton Haskin James. His thesis was based on the journal of my great, great, great grandfather, Josiah Hinds. The original journal was donated to the Cossette Library in Memphis but, at this time, July 2019, I have not been able to get a response as to the whereabouts of the original journal. Hopefully, I will get a response from the library so that I can include more information.

The second section is a transcribed copy of my grandmother's diary which she wrote for my aunt, Nancy Anne Nichols Gross. The diary includes family information along with a great amount of information about the early medical practices in Memphis, TN.

The final section will be information about my more recent family members, the Nichols of Munford, TN.

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The Journal of Josiah Hinds

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Messrs. Editors: Having been born in what is now called Middle Tennessee some fifty-three years since, or in Jan (ua) r (y), 1801, educated and brought up to the years of maturity or manhood among the early (sic) settleers (sic) by parents who were the first pioneers of that portion of Tennessee, and having passed through the different (sic) scenes and customs of bygone days to witness the various changes and improvements in the last half century — I may be able to give some of your numerous readers an interesting sketch of the customs, maxims, fashions, amusements, and avocations of those who lived in that day.

My father (Simeon Hinds) was born in North Carolina in the year '69. My grandfather (Joseph Hinds), an Englishman, was one of those patriots who rebelled against the tyrannical oppression of the mother country, and, being a man of property and influence (sic), was doomed to suffer the vengeance of a foreign foe and their treacherous and brutal associates (the Tories), by whom and through whom his barns (sic) and grain was burned and destroyed, his property stolen and runn (sic) off, and a rattle (sic) ball lodged in the wall of his house just over his head while sleeping under his own roofs. After the close of the war he was one of the delegates that drafted and adopted the first Constitution (sic) for the State of North Carolina. His name now stands recorded as one of the chosen delegates on that occasion, which may be found in the archives (sic) of the State. He soon, however, emigrated (sic) to East Tennessee, Knox County, where with others he had to fight as a protection (sic) from the barbarous (sic) and brutal attacks of the Indian rattle (sic) tomahock (sic) and scalping knife.

My father married (sic) a Miss (Elizabeth) Stone and emigrated (sic) to what was then called West Tennessee (now Middle

Tennessee), and settled in a portion of Jackson County. Since the new organization it is in the limits of Overton, which was then bounded by Wayne County, Kentucky (sic), on the north. A new country, however, has been formed between Overton and the Kentucky (sic) line called Fentress. My father's location was in one mile of what was known as Jackson Old Court House, on Flat Creek, near its junction with Roaring River, a tributary of the Cumberland, 15 miles from the latter — a mountainous (sic) and healthy (sic) country abounding with never failing limped (sic) bluff springs, some good valley land, and portions of fertile upland. Some iron ore has since been found and a forge erected; salt petter (sic) caves were found in abundance and worked to profit by the first settleers (sic) as a luxury, but a necessary (sic) convenience (sic) to many of the first emigrants (sic), and a source of entertaining enjoyment to those who were fond of hunting. The streams afforded fine mill seats. My father erected one with a 20-foot water wheel (overshot), and a cotton (sic) gin, the first in that portion of the country, and this without any such thing as press and screw, as cotton (sic) was only cultivated for home or domestic use, from 1/2 to 1 acre being an average crop to each farm, and that packed in bags or sheets on a horse or horses for 20 or thirty miles to the gin. The manner of picking cotton (sic) will be attended to more fully as I proceed (sic) with my narrative. Corn, wheat, rye, oats, hemp, flax, & potatoes were (sic) the principal products of the country, rice and indigo for domestic use, and sugar tree, or maple sugar & molasses (sic) was made to spare (sic) the necessary (sic) expense of having to purchase sweetening. Rye, coffee, chocolate, sage, balm, & sassafras (sic) tea was quite a common beverage, the coffee now in use being used only (sic) by the more wealthy (sic) for breakfast on Sunday morning or when the occasion required something extra. A pound cake on those days would have been as strange a sight as an elephant nowadays. Yes, Messrs. Editors, 45 of 50 years ago a table spread in Overton County on Roaring River, at the expense (sic) of some of the wealthiest planters in that day and country, equal (sic) to

the luxurious tast(e) and extravagance of some of our most humble and destitute citizens in the presant (sic) day, would have created a scene of extravagance and wonder that would have astonished the natives. Horses, cattle, hogs, & sheep was raised with very littke expense, having fine range and a good outlet. The bear, panthers, wolves, and wild cats was prettey (sic) destructive to pigs, sheep, and claves; and the foxes, minks, & opossums (sic) to poultry; coons & squirrels to corn; crows and blackbirds mostley (sic) a great source of annoyance in taking up the young corn. Corn cultivated with barshare (sic) and shovel plows. New land broke with Coulters (sic). Corn well hoed and hilled, planted in hills from, 2 1/2 to 4 feet apart, from th(r)ee to 5 or 6 stalks in a hill. Wooden singletree, hickory (sic) clevis, rope or rawhide traces (called tugs). No iron about the harnes, shuck (?) or bark collar (sic). Rope or rawhide bridle and lines, sometimes hichery (sic) or leatherwood bark. Wheat cut with reap hooks, thrashed or tromped out. Corn halled (sic) in by many, in a large slide or one-horse cart. In fact, the entire crop, wood, & house logs halled (sic) on a slide lizard or truck wheels. Sweet potatoes planted in hills, not from drawings as now, but by cutting the potatoe (sic) in two or three pieces, opening the top of the hill, dropping three pieces to each hill, sticking down and covering. Every frarmer of any note built a barn, by raising double log pens with a stable in each end pen, & between, a space sufficient for a threshin floor, where the small grain was beat out with flails & runn (sic) through a slit si(e)ve or riddle made for the pupose out of white oak splits, and the chaff blown away by a sheet being used with a hand at each end.

Rearing River

The First Settlers

The first settlers, after building a double log cabbin (sic) , kitchen, & loom house (both being the same in most cases

and not unfrequently (sic) used as a smoke house also, with a dirt floor), and opening a small farm orchards were planted by almost every farmer, such as peach, apple, pear, and cherry, making it a plentiful fruit country, which served not only for food but was a great luxury and yielded to many a handsome profit, being converted into brandy & cider. Unfortunatley (sic) , many became habitual drinkers, and not a few confirmed drunkards. Still houses soon became numerous and whiskey and brandy plenty and with such el(e)ments, fueds (sic), broils,, gameing (sic) , quarrels, and fights became so common, that it would have been remarkably strange to attend an election or muster without seeing some two or three, and not unfrequently (sic), half a dozen fights (not with deadley (sic) weapons, for in that day a man that would draw a weapon was stigmetized as a coward and kicked or hissed out of companey (sic) . They took it in the fistcuffs (sic) style, knock, kick, bite,, gogue (sic) scratch; and cases or murder or manslaughter was rare; and proscutions (sic) for fighting thought to be mean and cowardly (sic). Sometimes an eye was pulled out; a ear, nose, or finger was bitten off; but this was a small matter in comparison to taking life. Pitched battles were fought, the parties going into a lot, or ring, with their seconds, and being strip(p)ed of all their garments but their pants, their hair trim(m)ed, greased or soaped, they fought untill (sic) one said "Enough" or "Take him away." When they were parted, made friends if satisfied, if not, fought again some future day. Horse racing, foot racing, jumping, wrestleing (sic) shooting, pitching quaits (sic), fishing, hunting, swimming wer(e) the principal amusements of the males; & males & females, dancing and plays, &c.

Log rolling, corn husking, house raising, & reappings were frequently (sic) accompaneyed (sic) by quiltings, sowing, or spinnings, and a dance or frolick (sic) at night. Corn huskings were sometimes very exciting and wound up with one or two fights, the heap being divided by a pole, with two captains and an equal division of hands. There would be corn thrown in the crib unhusked, and sometimes thrown back among

the shucks, or the pole moved, and then look out for a fight. Log Roolings (sic) sometimes ended in the same way. I was at one myself on Roaring River where the girls had attended a quilting, and a frolick (sic) was antisipated (sic), but a fight commenced betwe(e)n two young men, w(h)ich caused some three or four more, and broke up the dance. Cotten (sic) was picked by fingers, by having picking parties. The cotten (sic) was placed before the fire to dry, divided by captains, hands divided by throwing up cross or pile wet or dry, and the winner had first choice; and then for separating (sic) the lint from the seed, and some would be found in a crack, or in the jam, or behind the house next day, and sometimes on suspicion a young lady was searched and her boosom (sic) was found well stuffed with unpicked cotten (sic). After the close of dance or a play and selling of ponds (pawns) would take place, and all would pass off in high glee.

Reapings were not so exciting, being very laborious, but whiskey and brandy was not forgotten. And sometimes the girls would meet on such occasions and pull the flax, and then at night a dance, but public balls or parties was not known. Churches was a strange thing; meeting houses and school houses were the only known places for preaching, except private houses,, which were used frequently (sic) in that way. The Presbyterians (sic) and Baptist being the most numerous (sic), but the Methodist soon took a start, and then the Cumberland, and Unitarians (alias Christians, alias Schismatics (sic), alias Stoneites (sic), and then the Cam(p)bellites, &c. The first camp meeting I ever attended was near Old Monroe, the former seat of justice in Overton County (Livingston being the presant (sic). This was, I think, in 1818. Therre [sic] were several conversions; I had a sister among the number. A Methodist preacher was in my estimation a strange kind of a being at one time. And when preaching and revivals began to spread the jerks became very prevelant (sic) in Overton, and when a boy I have witnessed persons exercised with the jerks frequently (sic), not onley (sic) at meeting but on visiting a neighbour, and it would seem as if they would

throw their necks out of joing, fall over chairs, benches, &c. — or some would have the dancing exercise. This was strange to me, and is to this day. In 1811 or '12, on Sunday night, we had a hard shake, causeing (sic) the earth to reel to & fro, with so much violence that the bricks were thrown from the tops of chimneys, chickens from their roosts, and in some places large rents made in the earth. Monday morning we had another light shock, and such a gloomey (sic) looking morning I do not remember ever to have witnessed. People assembled in groups, and neighbors visited neighbors, to talk of the strange phenomina (sic) and the probable end of world. We have some other shocks. Preaching, singing, praying, Bapiteseing (sic), & religious exercises were in high repute; the drunkard forsook his bottle; the swearer, the gambler, the Sabbath breaker, & the cold-hearted professors were either penitent or wending their way to the meeting house to hear what the preacher would say about the impending storm which they supposed near at hand. ?any were added to the church; some done well; others went back. Men are very brave while danger is at a distance, as they think, but le it starr (sic) them in the face, and they quake Beltishazer (sic) like. Remember the shaking earth and the falling starrs (sic)?

Roaring River

Clothing of the Day

Almost every farmer tanned his own hides, and made or had the leather made into shoes, males and females wearing home-manufactured shoes on almost every occasion. For Sunday shoes, they were of the thin(n)est leather and lined with cloth and bound with calf or deer skin. Shoes were seldom worn at home by either sex in the summer, and it was no uncommon thing to see males and females at preaching bare-footed, and the males in their shirt sleeves. The women would sometimes walk to meeting from two to four miles

with their shoes and stocking in their hand or tied up in a handkerchief, and just before going up to the place of worship sit down on a log, brush their feet, and put on their shoes and stocking(s). Those who could afford fine morocco shoes would walk in their course (coarse) shoes near the meeting house, and then place them under an old log, and put on their morroco (sic) until their return, and then for their old shoes; and by this means a pair of morocco shoes would last some four or five years.

Some would ride where horses could be had that was not worked down, and then two and three would be seen on one horse, viz., a man and his wife and child, a brother with his sister behind him, or two sisters, or a beau with his sweetheart (this was very common). In this way they would ride double ten or fifteen miles. The males' dress in winter was linsey woolsey (sic), janes, or double wove (sic) woollen (sic) pants, and vest and hunting shirt & coat of the same, cotten (sic) shirt, woollen (sic) stockings, corse (sic) home made shoes, a woollen (sic) net comfort around the neck and over the breast, and drawers was not worn at any time. Some would wear buck skin pants or briches (sic), summer and winter, and in the winter, hunting shirt, vest, and leggings of the same.

Princiapl [sic] summer wear: stiped, checked, or copras (sic) cotten (sic) cloth, or flax and tow, the finer for Sunday, and course (sic) to work in; briches (sic) (pants) cut as tight as they could be got into, leaving a split of four to six inches open at the ancle (sic) to admit the foot to pass, with broad flaps from hip to hip in front. This was by and bay made to button up and after further improvement pants were as large at the angle as a common bee gum; the tights worn without gallassas (sic) (suspenders) and the socks with; broad tail coats, and sharp tail coats that came down to the hams, sharp-toed shoes, and then round, and then square. Some old men and dandies wore short briches (sic) that buckeled (sic) around

the knee, long stockings, long fair top boots, with a silk tassle (sic) in front; cambric shirts worn by some with a broad ruffle boosom (sic); moccasins (sic) worn by many in the summer; wool hats, after a while tip(p)ed or knaped (napped) with coon or fox furs, and some even made of all fur; striped cotten (sic) neck handkerchiefs, then cambrick (sic), &c., but comforts most common in the winter.

Female attire: for winter & summer, petticoats and short gowns made of wool or cotten (sic), striped or checked. The petticoat was made to meet tight around the waist and button. The short gound (gown) was made separate (sic) to fit the body, sholders, arms, & c., and buttoned on like a short coat or round jacket so as to come just low enough to cover the waist band of the petticoat. The under dress was a cotten (sic) shift (shema (shimmy/), cotten (sic) checked apron, and bonnet of the same, with splits. After a while females wore frocks all of a piece, i.e., the skirt and boddy (sic) sowed (sic) together. Four yards in a dress of homespun cloth, or six yards of calico, with open boosom (sic) and a cape of the same kind of cloth, and a n under coat or skirt, shift, &c. (shema); but a loady with a six-yard calico dress, bobonet (sic) cape, cotten (sic) stockings, morocco shoes, straw bonnet or fir (fur) cap, &c., was looked on as being elegantley (sic) dressed, and then a waist band with a large brass buckel (sic), a brass ring or two on the fingers, and in the ears, and they were quite grand. A cambrick (sic) or silk dress was almost superfleous (sic), and only to (be) worn by the bon ton of society.

Grass skirts, hoops, stays, corsetts (sic), whale bone, false sleeves, bussles (sic), tuneoes (tournures), and the cart load of skirts & jackets and other tomfoolery since worn by females to improve their shapes would have been to those ladies as great a sight as the orange-o(u)tang.

There were no snuff eaters; some old gentlemen and ladies would snuff it up their nose. But little time spent in novell (sic) reading, or before the glass. A young mar(r)ied lady with

a small family would do all the washing, cooking, and other house work, and clothe the family, and not unfrequently (sic) sell cloth or socks enough to buy her Sunday dress, or her sugar & coffee, or some other article for family use, such as a cap or coat for the baby, &c. Young ladies would spin from four to 12 cuts p(e)r day, weave from 4 to 12 yards, and frequently (sic) attend to other matters such as making up beds, sweaping (sic) the house, milking the cows, &c. Old ladies would knit, sow (sic), spin on the flax wheel, churn, make the cheese, dye the yarn, attend to the cooking, making soap, rending the lard, attending to the poultry, &c.; and with the assistance of the girls everything was done about the house, and the family comfortably clad without any expense to the man. He furnished the tools, the shelter, the supplies in a crude state, and it was manufactured in due time and in abundance. The boys worked with and obeyed the parents, until they were 21, and thought it no hardship. If they went sparking (courting) in the week, it was at night after the day's work was done, and then they must wait on their sweetheart (un)til her day's work was done, which was not unfrequently (sic) nine or ten o'clock. And they done their courting whilst the family were sleeping, and either went home the same night or by sunrise in the morning. There was no lounging about until breakfast except on Sunday morning. If cought out (un)til Monday morning, they were home by daylighr, and thus matches were made without any loss of time.

Rearing River

Crude State of Society

Love speeches were made in the night when all the buisey (sic) moise of the day was hushed into silence, and the family were (except the lovers) all taking sweet repose; or on some occasions, matches were made on the way to or from meeting, or at a frolick (sic), or cotten (sic) picking, but divorces were

few and fare (sic) betwe(e)n. The young married couple commenced the world with a small pittance, say in most cases one horse, one cow & calf, one feather bed, one sow, and not exceeding 15 or 20\$ worth of furniture all told, and indeed the most of earley (sic) settlers had but little of value in their houses, except wearing apparel (sic) of home manufacture (sic), bedding, bed clothing, &c. Bedsteads were on the cheap order; and frequently (sic) nothing but a scuffleboard (sic) shelves, or corner (sic) cupboard made of board to hold the dishes, which were either made of wood (wooden trenchers) or puter (sic), puter (sic) spoons, puter (sic) dishes large enough to hold a turkey or shoate (sic), puter (sic) basons (sic) to hold the milk in, tin cups, or wooden bowls. And by and by they got to manufactureing (sic) earthenware, such as crocks or irns (sic), tugs (?) plates, bowls, pitchers, &c., and finally to queen's ware, chine (sic) & glass. This was, however, in the days (of) broadcloth, silk, ribbon, lace, &c. After pedlers began to take the place of thinkers, pride got the assendancy (sic) of trenchers and puter (sic) plates; and tinkers with their moulds soon found the moulding of old puter (sic) on the shares a lean business (sic). Buttons were made by many families by moulding puter (sic) or gourd moulds were cut and covered. Horne (sic) moulds soon superseeded (sic) the gourd, and mettle (sic) buttons the puter (sic). Almost every family had a chest they could lock. Chairs were of rude construction with skin or bark bottoms; stools & benches were common; the table made of boards or planks sawed by hand, but I'll let you know the eating was not bad. Light bread, milk, butter, cheese, poratoes, mutton, beef, pig, turkey (for wild turkeys were plenty), venison, veal, eggs, chicken pie (a favourite and common dish), and after a time, peach pie, apple dumplin(g)s, tarts, milk and peaches, and vegetables of every kind, cooked dunn (sic) and seasoned well, and served up by hail (sic), bounding, laughing, sprightley (sic) females, whoes (sic) pleasant conversation and cheerful countenances would give a relish or zest to the whole feast. And as (for) physick (sic), or physicians, the horses needed more physick (sic) than the

citizens, and doctors were scarcely (sic) known, except horse doctors, witch doctors, and old lady midwives. The people (some, at least) beleived (sic) in witches, and there were some strange occurrences (sic). But I never saw a physician except one or two, until I was 21 years old, and never took a dose of medicine except some Indian physick (sic) until I was 23 years old, and that was in South Alabama; and if I ever saw a case of fever or chills and fever duraing (sic) that time, I do not now recollect it, and my father raised 5 sons and 6 daughters on Roaring & Cumberland Rivers. They had ague and perhaps some fevers, but out on the hills sickness was rare. There was no swamps, lakes, stagnated water, and the branches, creeks, and rivers were all showley (shoaly) with rock or gravelly bottoms and considerable falls, which caused the water to runn (sic) off with rapidity. The banks or cliff which generally bound it on one side, and not unfrequently (sic) on both, and to the heighth (sic) of some two or three hundred feet, being a perpendicular wall of solid rock, or sometimes jutting over the bed of the river, with a cedar or spruce (sic) pine standing on a large flat rock covered with earth and placed on the top of the precipice as if designed by nature for some grand object, made it to a passer-by a picturesque scene of beauty and grandeur. And the echoes of the waterfalls and rushing tor(r)ents confined and precipitated over shoals and rocks closed in by cliffs or high banks on Roaring River will at once strike the mind of the beholder with the appropriateness of its name. Cliffs close in only on one side in many places, and the river dashes its foaming billows against the rugged rocks, and then bend(s) its course in another direction and strike with fury another cliff on the opposit(e) shore, and then again turn its course and meet with like resistance, whilst in each bend it is confined onley (sic) by steep banks, and there dwells some family who is stilling the rich soil. And in many of those bends there was in the days of yore a still house, peach, apple, and sugar orchard, and hogs, horses, cattle, and sheep in abundance, and corn cheap and plenty, and a farm in every bend, which was not a few. The settlers, however,

were not so refined and civle (sic) as those on the planes (sic). And by this time the reader has no doubt made up his mind that all were semi-barbarians. Be it as it may, some of them have been honoured, and some of their children are still being honoured with high places in society, and as public servants by those who have witnessed a more improved state of fashionable society. You will recollect (sic): A. Huntaman, Hop & Sam(ue)l Turneys, Marchbanks and Tolton (fathers to the new judges of the same name), Williams, Chisolm, Severe (sic), Matthews's (sic), Gardenhires, Williards, Officers McRoberts, McConnells, Mitchels, Bates, Crawford, Copland, Killions, Hinds, Masters, Forbus, Dillingham, Fisk, Goodpaster, Hendricks, Bowens, Harris, Quarrels, armstrongs, &c. I will not trouble your readers with names known only to a few, but will now say that I am conversant with sons and daughters raised up by parents who were among the puter (sic) plate,, puter (sic) spoon, & tin cup gentry, and whose (sic) mothers and grandmothers wore petticoats that buttoned around the waist and no other under nor over garment, but a cotton shift (Shemy (shimmy)), without shoes or stockings, but in most cases the short gown (gown) accompaneyed (sic) the petticoat. And some of their children and grandchildren now look on persons who are equally as well or better clad with contempt, and such society they would scorn in the presant (sic) state of refinement, and such occupations as they wer employed in would be degrading & revolting to the now rising generation, even in Overton County, Tennessee, on Roaring River, Obeyes River, Mill Creek, Spring Creek, Morrison's Creek, Flat, or Hopper's Creek.

Roaring River

The Improved Society

In my former communications, I have endeavoured to show to your readers the crude state of society in Overton

County, Ten(nessee), 40 or 50 years ago, their habits, customs, fashions, &c. In my presant (sic) communication I propose to examine some of the improvements since, and one of the most important, that of education and religious worship, and then to contrast the presants (sic) citizens with the pioneers of the country, and see if we can arrive at anything like a correct conclusion as to which were the happiest people.

Among all grades, and in all states of society, mankind are prone to runn (sic) into extremes. Amongst the first settlers of Middle Tennessee, there were to be found many differant (sic) traits of character, but the greater portion were poor, industrious, frugal, social, hospitable, and even benevolent. If a neighbour [sic] needed help he onley (sic) had to make it known. But their unbounded hospitality and universal sociability led them into some fatal errors, and their children into bad habits and ruinous associations, such as dram drinking, gameing (sic), fighting, &c., and demoralizing associations among the sexes. There was a great lack of moral and religious training on the part of parents; in fact, until Sabbath Schools were introduced, there was a total neglect with many. The education of children was very meager and superficial, being confined mostley (sic) to boys, and the rudiments of spelling, reading, writing, and arithmattick (sic), onley (sic) taught then. English grammer (sic), geography, history, and the higher branches were seldom taught at a country school, and girls never, or very seldomattained [sic] to any knowledge of figures. But in latter days they have greatly (sic) improved, and lawyers, doctors, statesmen, judges, and ministers have been the result. The improvement in morals have (not) kept pace with the mental improvements, and idleness, vanity, pride, and fashion has found convenient (sic) food, as the people became prosperous and their means accumulated. The great necessety (sic) for labour and toil seased (sic) to exist; consequently (sic), there are more idlers, more pride, more fashion, more extravagance, less sociability and hospitality, and more envy. Marriages are

more a matter of speculation & less mutual affection among parents and children, husbands and wives. Whilst they have improved in manners, improved in looks (artificially, by outward adorning) and in mental cultivation, increased in wealth and domestic comforts, they have lost much of that simplisity (sic), hospitality, sociability, moral candour, and openness that characterized our fathers, brothers, and sisters. Artificial husbands and wives were not in demand, parties were seldom disappointed (sic), and attachments were more mutual. But takeing (sic) into consideration the rising & future generations, the advancement in morals, the advantages among all classes for mental improv(e)ment, the improved state of society, and the encouragement to religious associations, I am indused (sic) to think that the future prospects and noral condition of the present and rising generation in that portion of Tennessee will greatly (sic) enhance their prospects for immortality and eternal life, and their comforts, conveniences, and facilities for living have been improved. But I doubt very much whether their social enjoyments and domestic happiness have kept pace with their fashionable improvements and other accumulations. There is not much wealth in that section of country, but a sufficiency to pamper pride and encourage idleness and extravagances (sic), which is calculated to beget selfishness and a wrestless (sic) disquietude which is detremental (sic) to social and domestic happiness; and besides, idle habits engender irregularities that are anything else than conducive to health, and that, together with the fashionable change in dress, diet, &c., has produced ill health, disease, and fatality not known 40 years ago. This I look on as the natural result which does and will ever follow idleness and irregularities, and if an evil, a necessitiesary (sic) one, was mankind permit(t) ed to bask in the sunshine (sic) of plentious [sic] prosperity, unmolested by afflictions of any kind, they would soon forget their obligations to one another, their dependance (sic) and responsibility to God; and and (sic) their great abundant prosper(i)ty would prove to them a curse instead of blessing;

consequently (sic), afflictions have a tendency (sic) to make us humble, and should be regarded as blessing in disguise. [sic]

And now to sum up the whole catalogue, I would remark that our fathers with their children in the first settlements of Tennessee enjoyed the pleasures afforded in this life with a zest far catalogue superior to that enjoyed by the present (sic) inhabitants, with all their comforts, conveniences (sic), and tast(e)ful improvements, and saving (sic) their lack of facilities for religious improvements, and religious privileges (sic) and enjoyment, future prospects for heaven and eternal happiness their condition would have been the most enviable. But though much tribulation, anxiety, and affliction, their [sic] descendants have greatly (sic) the advantage in point of moral and mental improvement, and with the restraints thrown around them by the rod of affliction and the improved moral code of laws they now are governed by, their prospect of future and eternal happiness in another mode of existence (sic) is greatly (sic) enhanced. If ever I enjoyed life destitute of religion, it was in my youthful days in Overton County, Ten(nessee), and aside from religious enjoyment, those were the happiest days of my life, and the only (sic) remorse brought to my mind in the reflection of the past is that of mispent and misimproved (sic) time. I was early (sic) taught, and sensibly impressed, with the truths of divine revelation and importance of religion; and notwithstanding the crude state of society then existing in Ten(nessee), religion was taught and practiced by many, but owing to the cold, formal manner in which it was presented by some and the doubting hope-so kind of faith embraced by others, and the total denial of the witness of the spirit by those who called themselves Christians, and the fatherly (sic) advice (sic) of old veterans in the cause to wait God's good time and pleasure, I was caused to hesitate and even doubt the tangibility (sic) of an experimental (sic) knowledge of sins forgiven in this life, and at one time, had set myself down as one of the reprobates, and

consequently (sic) became more hardened in sin.

Rearing River

The Results of an Improved Society

A favourite copy with one of my teachers was this: "Evil Communications Corrupt Good Manners," and I have long since realized the truth contained in said copy, and I have learned many useful and important lessons that might prove useful to the young if they would reflect and practise [sic] in reference (sic) to time and eternity.

Pride and idleness are the precursors of many evil practices which are not unfrequently (sic) visited by sore afflictions of body and mind, which, by divine grace, lead men to repentance. But some venture out into the stream of wild disipation (sic), and are drawn into the rapids ere they are aware of the danger, and are swiftly (sic) drawn by the whirlpool, and precipitately (sic) engulfed (sic) in the dark abyss of eternal night, heedless of the timely (sic) warning of friends, or the correcting rod of afflictions.

The days of riding double on horseback, and on pack saddles and and [sic] cruppered saddles, with iron stirrups, or walking with shoes in hand, in a full suit of home manufactory (sic), cut and fitted so as to develop the beauties of nature without so deforming the noblest creature of God, as practised in latter days, have long since passed away in Overton; and it is considered exceedingly (sic) vulgar not only (sic) to practice former customs but to speak of them in the language used by our parents; and the change of fashion have been commensurate with the change in circumstances; and the customs, maxims, manners, fashions, and domestic economy peculiar to the first settlers (sic) are almost forgotten. Comfortable dwellings have been reared; churches and

school houses built; Sabbath Schools introduced; children are educated according to the customs & fashions of the age in which they live. What is lost in personal be(a)uty and sym(m)etry by nature is tried to be remedied by art and the deformity and ill health entailed by fashionable attire. Idleness and dissipation are tried to be remided (sic) by the use of physick (sic), hence doctors are no strong beings; and the toilett (sic) & mirror, paint and perfumary (sic), are as familiar to the ladies now as the spinning wheel and battleing (sic) stick was to our mothers in the days of yore; and boys at 15 speak of their plans and future arrang(e)ments, smole [sic], drink, chew, swear, carry pistols, &c., call their fathers “the old man,” and mother, “the old woman,” and Mayor Jones, “Old Jones,” Captain Wilson, “Old Wilson”; labour they think ungenteel {sic}, and onley (sic) suitable for the poor, or old men and negroes; at 18 they want to marry; before they are 20 they set up for themselves or contrac debts on their father’s account, and runn (sic) into dissipation and contract idle habits and irregularities which disqualify them for the social duties of life; and if they marry now, it is onley (sic) a matter of convenience, and dollars and cents has more to do in fitting them out with a wife than pure affection, for they have become almost callous to all that is virtuous and loveley (sic). And the domestic fireside will become cheerless, and where happiness was want to reign, thier (sic) will be strife, and all the evils that follow such alliances.

This is not the case with all, and perhaps applies to fewer young people in Overton County, Ten(nessee), than in many other portions of the state, and take some portions of Miss., and the half has not been told. But having been raised in Ten(nessee), grown with Ten(nessee), witnessed the various extremes in fashion, customs, amusements, &c., I am satisfied that there does not exist that equality and uniform sociability, old-fashioned hospitality, and frank, generous open-heartedness that characterized the first settlers (sic) [sic], and as fare (sic) as the real enjoyments of the present (sic) life is

concerned (sic), taking into consideration health and domestic happiness and all that pertain to this life, they undoubtedly in their crude state of society enjoyed life and all its attendant blessings more fully than the now riseing (sic) generation, with its improved facilities.

Appendix B

An Incomplete Genealogy of the Hinds Family Since the American Revolution¹

JOSEPH HINDS

Joseph Hinds of North Carolina, the ancestor of our family lived in North Carolina during most of his life, but moved to Knox County, Tenn. about 1790. The dates and places of his birth, death, and marriage are not known. From various records it appears that he died in Knox County about 18;2 [sic], and was born about 1725. He was a member of the Constitutional Convention which met at Halifax N. C. Nov. 12, 1776, representing Guildord County [Guilford County]. He was owner of large tracts of lands in Knox County and in Maury County, Tenn., obtained partly by grant and partly by purchase. He lived for seven years in a block house in Knox County, and was from time to time engaged in fighting the Indians. He married a Miss GRIDER.

I have not been able to get a list of his children with certainty. I give the list below as I have it,

¹This is an exact duplicate of a copy furnished the editor by the Cossitt library of Memphis, Tennessee. but there in uncertainty about some of them, especially the last three:

Children of Joseph Hinds:

1. Simeon, born Aug. 11, 1769, in North Carolina; married in Knox County in 1796 to Elizabeth Stone, daughter of John Stone. Elizabeth Stone was born June 18, 1773. She had brothers Enoch Stone in North Carolina and John Stone in Indiana, and James Stone in Tennessee. He died in Overton County, Tenn., Dec. 13, 1840
2. A daughter, married Iredelle Stone
3. Abby, married Joseph Bond
4. Levy, married in Washington County, VA
5. John, lived in Knox County, Tennessee
6. Joseph, lived in Kentucky
7. Daughter, lived in Knox County
8. Samuel ?
9. William ?
10. Asa ?

SIMEON HINDS

Simeon Hinds, son of Joseph Hinds, was born in North Carolina April 11, 1769, and died in Overton County, Tenn. Dec. 13, 1840/ He moved with his father to Knox County, Tenn. where he was shot in the knee by an Indian. Soon after his marriage (see above) he moved to Overton County and settled on a farm on Flat Creek, near Hilham. Though a cripple from the wound in his knee, he was for several years captain of the militia. He had a family of eleven children, six girls and five boys.

Children of Simeon Hinds:

1. Anne, or Nancy, born July 5, 1797, died She was married to Weaver.
2. Mary, or Polly, born in Overton County, Dec. 9,

1798, died She was married to Stirling Harris.

3. Josiah, born Jan. 30, 1801, died May 6, 1864, was married first to Sophie Moore who was born in 1806 and died Feb. 1, 1859. He was married second to Mary Hardy in 1859. Johnson who was born in 1813 and died ?
4. Susannah, born Aug. 15, 1802, died Aug 16, 1875 was married to Davis Masters who was born May 10, 1796 and died Nov. 23, 1882
5. Claiborne, born Aug. 8, 1804, died [?] was married to Goodpasture who was born [?] and died (write W. C. Hinds & Sons, Guntown, Miss)
6. Elizabeth, born Feb. 6, 1807 died [?] Married Laughlin who was born [?] and died [?]
7. John Hinds, (my father *[Not sure why "my father" is here. This was edited by a Haskins so I don't think this would be his father and it was not Josiah Hind's father.]*) born Oct. 1, 1809, died July 26, 1802 *[must be 1902]*. Was married May 22, 1841 to Rhoda Webb, who was born in N.C. April 1, 1817 and died at Muskogee, Okla. June 10, 1905.
8. Sarah, born Aug. 31, 1811, died July 12, 1881, was married May 10, 1832, to T. Sherrill Anderson, who was born Nov. 23, 1811, and died May 18, 1854.
9. James Clinton born Sept. 11, 1815, died Married [?] to [?] who was born
10. Caroline, born April 25, 1816, died [?] married Pharris
11. Simeon, born Mar. 29, 1818, died Aug. 10, 1892, married last, on April 16, 1843 to Margaret Gardenshire, who was born Nov. 21, 1822, and died Aug. 26, 1854. 2nd to Mary Masters, Jan. 5, 1856, who was born Dec. 23, 1831, died Feb. 1, 1907.

FAMILY OF JOSIAH HINDS M.D. HERNANDO, MISS.

Josiah Hinds, son of Simeon Hinds of Overton County, Tenn. was born Dec. [sic] 30, 1801, and died May 6, 1864 at his home in Mississippi. He was buried at Hinds Chapel, a Methodist Church near his home. His first wife was Sophie Moore who was born at Middle, Tenn. in 1808, and died at the home Feb. 1, 1859. She is buried at Hinds Chapel.

Dr. Hinds was educated [?] and took the medical course at [?]. He moved to Mississippi in 1846.

He was an active member of the Methodist Church, was a physician of note and had an influential place in the community in which he lived. His second wife was Mary Hardy, who was born in 1813 at [?] and died [?].

Children of Dr. Josiah Hinds:

1. Frances E. was born Aug. 23, 1827, at Selma, Ala. and died at [?] in 1891. She was married in Memphis, Tenn. to Piercy who was born [?] and died (see William Piercy, RFD #1 Memphis, Tenn.) She is buried at Hinds Chapel.
2. Martha Caroline was born at Selma, Ala., Oct. 30, 1829 and died at Selma, Ala. Sept. 4, 1846. She was not married.
3. Washington LaFayette was born at Selma, Ala. July 6, 1832 and died at Hernando, July 1, 1857. He was not married. he is buried at Hinds Chapel.
4. Lucy Annie, born at Selma, Ala., Nov. 13, 1834, died at Hernando, Miss. Nov. 7, 1857. She was married to Jessie Johnston.
5. Orlabdo Livingston, born at Jiles, [Giles] Tenn. Feb. 3, 1837, died at Jiles, Tenn., July 15, 1837.
6. Josiah Livingston, born at Jiles, Tenn. Sept. 17, 1838,

died at Hernando, Miss. Oct. 22, 1900. Married Frances Murrah, who was born July 29, 1839 and died Oct. 27, 1918. She is buried at Hinds Chapel. He was a physician, educated at Memphis, Tenn. He lived at Hernando, Miss. and is buried there at Hinds Chapel. He was a prisoner of war, served in the medical department until the close of war at Point Lookout. Afterwards was specialist on Pneumonia.

7. James Orlando, born in Selma, Ala. April 18, 1841, died at [?] Oct. 3, 1847.
8. Alonzo Fletcher, born Oct. 23, 1843, died Oct. 24, 1847.
9. Mary Spicer Virginia, born March 27, 18 (paper says 1864 which must be wrong) Died at Memphis, Tenn. May 17, 1917. She was married to James R. Cotton who was born [?] and died [?] She is buried at Elmwood Cemetery, Memphis, Tenn.
10. Mariah Catherine, born in Selma, Ala., Oct. 10, 1848, died at Selma, Ala., in 1844 [death year must be wrong, maybe 1944]. She was married NO to who was born [?] and died [?].
11. (My grandfather had a family Bible with all of his records in it; some member of the family has it. As soon as I can find it, I can give you more information. R. H. H.)

FAMILY OF LUCY ANNIE HINDS

(If she was married; give husband and children)

She was married to Jessie Johnston, Batesville, Ark.

Children:

1. Stephen Johnston, Batesville, Ark.
2. Fannie Johnston

FAMILY OF JOSIAH L. HINDS M.D.

1. Annie Elizabeth, born [?] 1860, died July 4, 1898
Buried at Hinds Chapel Married to Oscar Seckt
who, was born [?] and died [?] he is still living;
address R.F.D. #4, Memphis, Tenn. [R.F.D. stands
for Rural Free Delivery]
2. Carrie P. born Feb. 24, 1862, still living Married to
Henry Baxter who was born May 9, 1851 and died
(Still living) Address Memphis, Tenn. R.F.D. #1,
Box 24
3. Sallie Virginia, born [?] 1864, died July 4, 1897,
buried at Hinds Chapel Married to W. S. LaGrill
Who was born [?] and died [?] Still living, address
Lake Cormorant, Miss. Write Mrs. D. E. Wilson,
Nexbitt, Miss.
4. Fannie M. born 1866, died 1869. Buried at Hinds
Chapel
5. Joseph Karr, born Nov. 1, 1869, married to Ella
May Crouch, Jan. 17, 1903 who was born May 17,
1883 Residences Post offices – Overton Park Ave.
Memphis Business meat market

FAMILY OF FRANCES E. HINDS PIERCY DAUGHTER OF JOSIAH HINDS

1. William Piercy, address, R.F.D. 1, Memphis, Tenn.
Norris Ave.
2. Lillian Piercy

FAMILY OF WASHINGTON LAFAYETTE HINDS

(If he was was [sic] married give his children)

He was not married.

FAMILY OF MARY SPICER V. HINDS COTTON, DAUGHTER OF JOSIAH HINDS

1. Arthur Cotton, Address, Roth Produce Co.,
Memphis, Tenn.
2. Clarence Cotton, Los Angeles, Calif.
3. Gladys Mason, born May 31, 1899 Married ? NO.
4. Joseph Livingston, born Sept. 16, 1901
5. Francis Johnson, born March 6, 1904
6. Virginia Leon, born July 23, 1906, died July 31,
1906; buried at Hinds Chapel
7. Wilbur Harris, born April 4, 1909
8. Leonard Louis, born Sept. 7, 1912

FAMILY OF B. C. HINDS, BORN Oct. 1, 1880

(Can this be the E. P. Hinds No. 8, of the family of
Robert Harris Hinds? If not, whose son was he?)

He was the son of Josiah L. Hinds, M.D.

1. Milbur, born Dec. 14, 1900
2. John Murray, born Nov. 4, 1903

I should like to have the place of residence and
occupation, of all so far as you can give it, also the
present post office address of those that are living. Any
interesting items of history will be very acceptable.
Place of death and burial are items of great importance.

(There is a S. B. Hinds at Tupelo, Miss., who may be
related to the family.)

R. H. H.

A Note of Clarification:

Well, if you are anything like me, right now, you are stuck on the obvious mistake Mr. James made in his family relations. Frances E. Hinds Piercy, daughter of Josiah Hinds, was not married to William Piercy. As a matter of fact, William Piercy was Frances Elizabeth's son.

There could be two reasons for this mistake. The first reason would be that she lived with William and his wife, Alice, for a long time. My grandmother, Mary Frances Piercy Nichols, slept in the same bed and was extremely close to Frances Elizabeth. I will get to that later or, more percisely, my grandmother will get to that later.

The second and juicier possibility for the mistake would be that Frances Elizabeth's father, Josiah Hinds, did not care for her husband. I think Josiah was rather happy not to mention his name and may have left it out of conversations just so he would not have to hear it. This could lead people to believe that William was her husband. Either way, this was a mistake and Duke Piercy is the husband of Frances Elizabeth Hinds Piercy.



Hinds Family Branch

The Hinds leg of our ancestry were, apparently, prominent people. I would say at least half of them became doctors. Among the doctors were preachers, postmasters, war heroes and artists. The name Hinds is a derivative from the Old English word *hinde* which is an occupational name meaning "the keeper of the deer" so we also had deer keepers in our past. There are many variations on the spelling of Hinds such as *Hinde*, *Hindes*, *Hynds*, *Hynes*, *Hynne*, and *Hyne* just to name a few.

Joseph Simeon Hinds Sr. (1705-1772)

Joseph Simeon Hinds Sr. was born in Morristown, Morris County, New Jersey around 1705 and died in Guilford, Guilford County, North Carolina in July 1772. He was a great man and accomplished many things during his life. In 1745, he signed the deed to the First Presbyterian Congregation

church in Mendham, NJ. He was close friends with Ebenezer Byram of Morris County, NJ. And, he was appointed to several offices while living in Mendham NJ during the years of 1749-1758. The offices included Free Holder, Collector, and Overseer of the Poor. On October 3, 1758, the town's people, after being legally warned, met and chose Joseph Geren as collector because Joseph Hinds had moved away.

In 1730, he married Rutha Higgins in New Jersey. Rutha was on the Mayflower with her family. She was born on 11 Sep 1700 in Eastham and died after 13 Mar 1762 according to the Mayflower Births and Deaths, Volume 2. They had ten children (and there may have been more but these are confirmed). Second he married Susanna LNU. There were no children from the second marriage.

Joseph Simeon Hinds, Sr. died on July 2, 1772 in Guilford, NC.

*Children of Joseph Simeon, Sr. & Rutha Higgins
Hinds:*

1. Charity Hinds
2. Hannah Hinds
3. Joseph Simeon Hinds Jr.*
4. Simeon Hinds
5. Levi Hinds
6. John Hinds
7. Mary Hinds
8. Samuel Hinds
9. Phebe (or Pheobe) Hinds
10. Sarah Hinds

The name Grider is the Americanized form of the German name Krieger. The name was an occupational name for a mercenary soldier and was originally derived from the Old German word Krieger (warrior soldier). The name was rendered in medieval documents in the Latin from Gregarius. It was also occasionally used as a German and Jewish nickname for a quarrelsome person.

Joseph Simeon Hinds Jr. (1737-1812)

Joseph Simeon Hinds, Jr., son of Joseph Sr. and Rutha Hinds, was born in Morris, NJ on 17 Jun 1737. (There are some that argue he was born in England.) He married Hannah "Hulda" Gregory Grider. She was born in 1758 in Guilford County, NC and she died in October 1817 in Wayne County, KY.

Joseph Simeon Hinds, Jr. died on July 2, 1812 in Knox County, TN while visiting a long time friend.

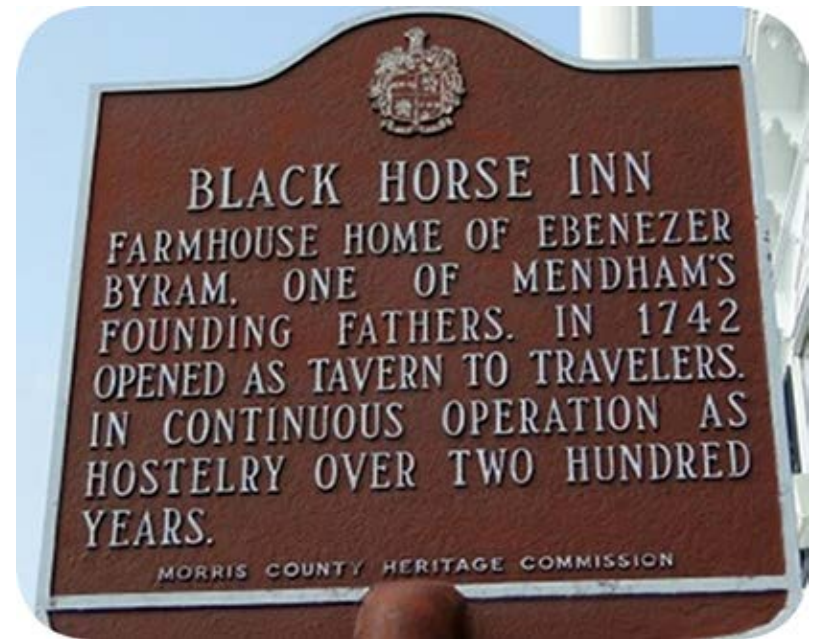
Black Horse Inn

Ebenezer Byram, Mendham's town tycoon and an early settler, purchased a large farm house in 1740. He opened the house as an Inn to early travelers and it served as a polling place during the blizzard of 1888. Also, the Inn served as a stagecoach stop for passengers traveling from Newark to Scranton, PA.

The reason this Inn is of interest in our family story is that both Joseph Senior and Junior and Ebenezer Senior and Junior were good friends. On July 1, 1766 and again in July of 1770, Joseph received a tavern license to operate the Black Horse Tavern in Mendham. The Hinds and Byrams were such good friends that after generations both families ended up in DeSoto County, Mississippi. Further indication of their family links is the marriages of two brothers to two sisters. Levi Monroe Hinds Sr (1762-1842), son of Joseph Simeon Hinds (1737-1812) married Huldah Byram (1772-1868) she was the daughter of Ebenezer Byram (1744-1827). And, Ebenezer Byram (1769-1827), son of Ebenezer Byram (1744-1827),

married Sarah Hinds (1773-1812), daughter of Joseph Simeon Hinds (1737-1812).

One of the most interesting things I've discovered about the Inn was that the town is thought to be named after the motto of the Inn. Many historians believe that Ebenezer Byram's saying, relating to fixing stagecoaches, "I'll mend'em" led to the town's name, Mendam. The motto can still be seen today on the black sign that stands in front of the Inn.





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Wednesday, September 30, 1998

prime steaks. Call (973) 559-8545.

Ebenezer Byram built the **Black Horse Inn** on Route 24 in Mendham in 1742. Originally a farmhouse, it has been a thriving business for better than 250 years, ever since Byram turned it into a prime stagecoach stop for the run between Scranton, Pa., and Newark.

Entrance to the building, whose wood, says Black Horse administrator Lynn Ward, is 90 percent original, is through a glassed-in porch, always decorated in keeping with the season. Inside, each of the three main antique-filled dining rooms has its own individual ambience — elegant Victorian, cozy English pub, or warm colonial tap-room. The restaurant seats more than 225 patrons, and the adjacent, more informal pub, 175. Call (973) 543-7300.

(left) Newspaper article from the Daily Record. This paper is printed in Morris County, New Jersey. The article is from Wednesday, September 30, 1998, and was printed in the history section along with several other historic restaurants.

First Presbyterian Congregational Church

The First Presbyterian Congregational Church was also



founded by Ebenezer Byram in 1738. The church was first located in a log cabin. In 1745, the church as relocated to its present site and the congregation met here until 1816.

The original Hilltop Church building at this site was built in 1745 and stood here at the time of the Revolutionary War. In early 1777, General George Washington and the Continental (American) Army were encamped seven miles from here at Morristown. When many of the soldiers took ill with small pox, some of them were taken here and the church was used as a hospital. Twenty-seven of these soldiers died while here and were buried in the church cemetery in a common grave.

The original 1745 Hilltop Church was replaced by a larger church building in 1817. That church burned down in 1835 and was replaced by another building which itself burned down in 1859. The current church structure which stands here today was built in 1860.





<i>List of the</i> COMMUNICANT MEMBERS OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN WESTFIELD, NEW JERSEY From its Organization to December, 1928 <i>Total number of Communicant Members of the Church 4,569</i>	
Prior to 1759.	
John Davis	John Davis, Jr.
Susan Davis (Mrs. John)	Mrs. John Davis, Jr.
John Woodruff	Mrs. Abraham Johnston
John Cory	Mrs. Henry Clark, Jr.
Samuel Hinds	Mrs. Moses Ross
Zebulon Gennings	Mrs. Samuel Hinds
John Crane, Jr.	<u>Abraham Clark</u>
Samuel Yeomans	<u>William Miller, Jr.</u>
Elizabeth Ludlum	Mrs. William Miller
Mrs. Mary Marsh	Mrs. David Steward
John Meeker	John Squire
Samuel Downer	Mrs. John Squire
<u>Nathaniel Baker</u>	
Abigail Baker (Mrs. N.)	1760
Mary Welch	Hannah Lum
Richard Scudder	Mary Woodruff (Mrs. Benj.)
Ebenezer Howard	James McMannas
Mrs. Ebenezer Howard	Mrs. James McMannas
Mrs. Moses Frazee	Mrs. Ebenezer Price
Samuel Ross	Solomon Parmer
Mrs. Samuel Ross	Mrs. Solomon Parmer
Corbet Scudder	Andrew Miller
Mrs. Corbet Scudder	Mrs. Andrew Miller
John Dunham	
Keziah Dunham (Mrs. John)	1761
David Woodruff	Moses Woodruff
Mrs. David Woodruff	Mrs. Moses Woodruff
Jesse Clark	Robert Masters
Mrs. Jesse Clark	Mrs. Robert Masters
Josiah Davis	Enoch Miller
Mrs. Josiah Davis	Mrs. Enoch Miller
Mary Tyler	James Irish
Jeremiah Woodruff	Isaac Little
Elias Mills	Mrs. Isaac Little
Mrs. Thomas Griffin	Joseph Hinds
	Mrs. Joseph Hinds
	Cornelius Ludlum, Jr.
	Mrs. Cornelius Ludlum, Jr.
	Moses Frazee
	Jonathan Oliver
	Mrs. Jonathan Oliver
1759	
Joseph Acken	
Mrs. Joseph Acken	
Mrs. John Cory, Jr.	
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Joseph Sr. and Joseph Jr. were members of the church. The document above shows the membership for Joseph Hinds and Mrs. Joseph Hinds in the year of our Lord Christ 1761.

Offices Held by Joseph S. Hinds, Jr.

Joseph held several political offices during his lifetime. In 1760, he was overseer of the poor. In 1761, he served as constable and overseer of the poor. In 1763, he became overseer of the highways of Mendham Township and continued in this position until 1772. From 1768 to 1771, Joseph served as constable, and from 1769 to 1771, he again served as overseer of the poor. Finally, he served as assessor during the year of 1771.

Joseph represented Guilford County in the Halifax convention, 12 Nov 1776. This "North Carolina constitution" was the first official action of the American Colonies which called for their independence from Great Britain during the American Revolution. This was a very important event in our history as it laid the foundations for Congress to declare its independence from Great Britain which happened less than three months later.

On 23 Dec 1776, Joseph was appointed justice of the peace for Guilford County, North Carolina. He continued in this position until December 27, 1785 when he tendered his resignation.

In 1779, he was nominated for justice of the new Randolph County. The following is from "Reminiscences of Randolph County," page 3:

The Legislature of 1779, then sitting at Halifax, passed an act providing for the formation of a new county out of Guilford and Rowan, to be called Randolph. Notice having been given, the citizens met accordingly on Monday, the 8th day of March 1779, at the house of Abram Reese, who then lived on the place now owned by Elias Alfred, about half

way between Brown's Cross Roads and Randleman Factory. Proclamation being made, the act of Assembly was read, wherein, William Cole, John Collin, Joseph Hinds, George Cortner, John Arnold, William Millikan, John Hinds, Jacob Shepherd, Richardson Owen, Windsor Pearce, William Bell, William Merrill, John Lowe, Enoch Davis and James Hunter, were nominated Justices for holding the courts in said county.

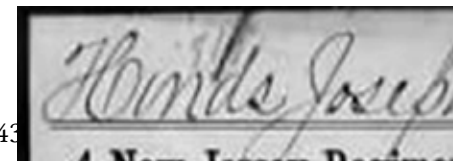
Joseph continued working toward independence. In 1779-1780, North Carolina State Records Volume 15, page 5, list Joseph Hinds with John Mask, John Mask Jr., William Thomas, William Mask, Walter Leake, William Gaines, and John Courtney as receiving protection from the army as a result of their efforts in procuring supplies for the army of General Richard Caswell.

At this point, I want to say that I have only found one item connecting Joseph to the war. And, I have read several documents that stated Joseph was not mustered into the Continental Army; however, due to his contributions to the struggle for American independence, his descendants qualify for membership in the Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) and the Sons of the Revolution (SOR).

Land Grants

Joseph acquired several pieces of land. The land grants allow us to trace his journey into Indian territory. Here is a list of land grants I have found throughout my research. Please note this is probably not a complete list. (Ebenezer Byram also had several land grants near Joseph.)

- North Carolina Land Grants in Tennessee



(1778-1791):

- Grant No 2733 for 400 acres of land on Bull Run
- Grant No 2734 for 500 acres of land on Bull Run in 1788
- Grant No 2895 for 5,000 acres on both sides of Duck River (all of the grants were awarded before many of the present day East TN counties were created including Davidson, Green, Hawkins, Sullivan, Sumner, and Washington.)
- In 1790, he moved to the area that is now Knox County, TN (established in 1792) where he was active in patriotic struggles against the Indians and Tories.
- He owned large tracts of land in Knox County and Murray County.
- About 1774 he moved to Guilford (Randolph) county, NC, and on Feb.12,1775, he bought his father's land from his brother Simeon and Levi for L100; and on March 21, 1775, he bought Simeon's 30 acre's for L19.
- In 1778 he received a North Carolina land tract.
- In 1779 he paid taxes on 1550 acres, 208 of which had been improved, 16 cattle, 4 horses and L25 in cash, all valued at L3205.
- He moved to Hawkins (now Knox) county, TN in 178?, and, probably for his military and/or government service, he received a grant of 5,000 acres on Duck River in (now) Maury county, TN.
- And, from the government of NC, on July 10,1788, he received a grant of land on Bull Run.
- On February 5, 1794, he bought 500 acres on Beaverdam Creek from Stockley Donelson for L250.
- March 7,1796, he received a grant of 400 acres on Beaverdam creek.
- He sold 200 acres to Thomas Cowen on Jan.1,1796, 100 acres to John McKinney on Feb.1,1796,100 acres to James Miller in 1797, 150 acres to Joseph Wood on Dec.25,1797,and 250 acres to George Perry for

\$1,000.00 on Feb.8,1799, all on Beaverdam Creek. On March 28,1798, he sold 150 acres to George Howell. On July 2,1802 he sold 1,666 acres on Duck Creek to his son Levi for \$50.00, and another to Ebenezer Byram, JR.

- Joseph Hinds received a grant of 200 acres in Pulaski (now Wayne) county, KY, surveyed on July 30, 1799 and moved there about 1802.

Death

Joseph died on 9 Mar 1812. Although his home was in Wayne County, KY by this time, he died in Overton County, TN while visiting his old friend, John Henry Rice, who lived on Lost River.

Burial

William Henderson Thomas, one-time superintendent of Union County schools and historian, pointed out in his notes that "the name of the first person buried in Lost Creek Cemetery has been lost. We are told," he said, "that the first grave was that of an old veteran, a compatriot of Henry Rice, who died while visiting in the Rice home and was buried on the Rice farm." Thomas went on to write: "Henry Rice died in 1818 at the age of 101, the second to be buried there." It is believed that Rice's visitor was Joseph Hinds whom Henry Rice had known during the Colonial struggle for independence.

Will

In Joseph's will he leaves his property to his wife during

her lifetime or widowhood, after which it would be divided among their children. His estate was probated in June of 1815.

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In the name of God, Amen, knowing all men to be mortal and being weak in body, but in perfect mind, I Joseph Hinds of the County of Anderson Kentucky do hereby make and declare this my last will and testament in manner and form following: That is to say 1st All my real estate and personal property to be paid to & I desire wife and beyond to my beloved wife Hannah One half and the other one half to be paid to my son, also it is my will that the said Hannah have the benefit of all the residue of my estate of said County during her natural life or widowhood that may remain in the hands of my Executors hereafter mentioned. Regarding my Negro woman Big Sarah and three her to remain the property of my beloved wife during her natural life or widowhood if she the third one proper to keep her if not the same may be sold by my Executors to him for cash but not less than \$10000 the value and the money arising from the price or hire of said Negro to be applied to her the widow support of herself her 1st Negro or the price or hire of said Negro if any remains after the death or widowhood of my mentioned, to be divided in manner and form hereafter mentioned. That is to say as the residue of my personal estate 1st It is my will I desire that all and every particular of my estate that remains after the death or widowhood of my beloved wife Hannah shall be equally divided between my children hereafter named Charles and Mary Alice (both), Joseph, Hannah, Sarah, Mary, Samuel, Peter, David, Ann, (both Sarah and Abigail) and lastly I do hereby constitute and appoint my child Isaac West / James Jones Executors of my last and testament, hereby revoking all other or former wills or testaments by me heretofore made. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal the 11th day of March in the year of our Lord 1815 signed sealed published and decreed to and for the last will and testament of the above named Joseph Hinds in presence of us

Joseph Hinds *[Signature]*

William Lockett George Hinds William Bond

Know all men of Kentucky Wayne County Court that I William Simpson Clerk of the County Court for the County of said do hereby certify that the foregoing last will and testament of Joseph Hinds said which appears from the record of the Wayne County Court to have been proven at this same Court 1815 in open Court by the oath of William Lockett and George Hinds subscribing witnesses thereto has been duly recorded in my office agreeably to an order of said County Court made pursuant to an act entitled an act to authorize certain Clerks of the Wayne County Court to be sworn in.

Given under my hand this 17th day of June 1815
William Simpson Clerk

Transcribed Will:

Knowing all man is a mortal and being weak in body but in proper mind, I, Joseph Hinds, Jr. of the County of and State of Kentucky do hereby make and ordain this my last will and testament in manner and form following, that is to say: 1st all my just debts and funeral expenses to be paid. 2nd I desire will and bequeath to my beloved wife Hannah one bed and bedding and a side saddle

to her her heirs for ever. Also it is my will that she the said Hannah have the benefit of all the residue of my estate if need requires during her natural life or widowhood that may remain in the hands of my Executors hereafter mentioned. Respecting my negro woman Peg I wish and desire her to remain the property of my beloved wife during her natural life or widowhood if she the widow sees proper to keep her if not she may cause her to be sold by my Executors or hire her out at her the said widow's discretion and the money arising from the price or hire of said negro to be applied to her the widow's support if needed. The said negro or the price or hire of said negro if any remains after the decease or widowhood afore mentioned is to be divided in manner and form hereafter mentioned, that is to say, as the residue of my personal estate.

4th It is my will & desire that all and every particular of my estate that remains after the decease or widowhood of my beloved wife Hannah shall be equally divided between my children hereafter named, share and share alike, to wit: Joseph, Hannah, Charity, Mary, Samuel, Phebe, Levi, Simon, Ruth, Sarah and Abigail and Cartly. I do hereby constitute and appoint my friends Isaac West and James Jones executors of my last will and testament hereby revoking all other or former wills or testaments by me heretofore made. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this 19th day of March in the year of our Lord 1812.

Signed sealed published and declared as and for the last will and testament of the above named Joseph Hinds in presence of us:

William Lockett, George Hinds, William Bond

see Wayne County Will Book A pg 19

Children of Joseph Simeon, Jr. and Hannah "Hulda"

Gregory Grider Hinds:

1. Charity Hinds
b. Abt. 1759, Mendham, NJ d. Abt. 1814, Randolph County, NC m. Reuben Wood b. 1750 d. 1812
2. George Hinds
b. Abt. 1760
3. Mary Hinds
b. 1761 d. 1761 both in Wayne County, KY
4. Levi Monroe Hinds, Sr.
b. 25 Aug 1762, Guilford County, NC d. 11 Sep 1842, New Hope, AL m. Huldah Byram b. 8 Dec 1772, East Bridgewater, MA d. 25 Jul 1868, Huntsville, AL
5. Samuel John Hinds, Sr.
b. Abt. 1763, Wayne County, KY d. Abt. 1830, Wayne County, KY m. Sarah Boone b. 26 Sep 1775, KY d. Abt. 1820, KY
6. Mary Hinds
b. Abt. 1764, Rowan County, NC d. Abt. 1820, Livingston County, KY m. Ephriam Parmerly Sr. b. Abt. 1760 NJ d. Abt. 1825, Williamson, TN

7. Hannah Hinds
b. Abt. 1765, Morris, NJ d. Abt. 1847, Wayne County, KY m. Gabriel Graham b. Abt. 1761, Rowan County, NC d. Abt. 1812
8. Phoebe Ophelia Hinds
b. Abt. 1765, Rowan County, NC d. 11 Sep 1842, Wayne County, KY
9. Simeon Hinds, Sr.*
b. 11 Apr 1769, Rowan County, NC d. 13 Dec 1840, Overton County, TN m. Elizabeth Stone b. 18 Jun 1773, Rowan County, NC d. Abt. 1845, Overton County, TN
10. Ruth Ann Hinds
b. 19 May 1771, Guilford County, NC d. 15 May 1854, Harrison, IN m. William Sharp b. Oct 1770, Mcnarlins Run, PA d. 6 Dec 1828, Harrison, IN
11. Sarah Hinds
b. Abt. 1773, Guilford County, NC d. Mar 1812, Madison, AL m. Ebenezer Byram II b. Nov 1769, Mendham, NJ d. 17 Jun 1827, Jacksn County, AL
12. William Asa Hinds
b. 2 Mar 1777, Guilford County, NC d. 1 Mar 1788; He was killed and scalped during an Indian raid probably happened in East TN but I have not been able to find the location.
13. Abigail Hinds
b. 29 Feb 1780, Wayne County, KY d. Abt. 1841, Wayne County, KY m. Joseph Bond b. 29 Feb 1780, Guilford County, NC d. 4 Feb 1853, Wayne County, KY

14. Joseph Hinds I
b. Abt. 1781, Mendham, NJ d. Aug 1815, Wayne County, KY m. Margaret Betsey Hahm b. Abt. 1764, NJ d. Abt. 1797, Wayne County, KY

Simeon Hinds, Sr (1769-1840)

Simeon Hinds, Sr., son of Joseph Jr. and Hannah Grider Hinds, was born in Rowan County, NC on 11 Apr 1769. He married Elizabeth Stone Lockhard in Knox County, TN during the year of 1796. Elizabeth was born on 18 Jun 1773 in Rowan County, NC. She died around 1845 in Overton County, TN. Her parents were John (1734-1785) and Mary Mildred "Millie" Corder (1744-1821) Stone.

Simeon Hinds, Sr. died on December 13, 1840 in Overton County, TN.

Indian Attacks

Simeon moved, with his father, to Knox County, TN. Later, around the late 1700s, he and his family moved to Overton County, TN. From the records and stories, I believe they traveled back and forth often, and Simeon did not make Overton County a permanent home until after he was married on February 11, 1812. During this transitional time, several Indian attacks occurred. Here are two accounts of those attacks.

On June 17, 1788, in a letter from Joseph Martin to Gov. Randolph, it was reported that the house of Joseph Hinds' was attacked by Indians. His son, William Asa, was scalped and killed, and another son, Simeon Hinds was injured. Simeon was crippled from

the wound on his knee but was still able to serve as Captain of the local militia for several years.

Another attack was reported on June 5, 1788. This attack initiated a resolution being sent to Brig. Gen. Joseph Martin, recommending a campaign against the Indians. The Cherokee Indians of the Chickamauga towns attacked a boat of forty people moving to the Cumberland settlement, killing all but three. This attack was acknowledged by Cherokee Chief Tassell, who said the Indians in the attack had joined hostile Creeks. William Ingles, Betsy Patterson, a lad named Hinds, Archibald Sharp, James Franklin, wife and six children of John Thisk, and wife of James McCarty were killed. William Ingles' wife and four children were taken prisoners. John Tye, Simeon Hinds, and one Sharp were wounded. Along with the deaths, there were about 150 horses stolen. The settlers on lands purchased from the government were driven to surrounding forts. The recommended campaign called for immediate military force to repel Indians was imperative. General Martin was advised to call out 400 militiamen from Greene County, 100 each from Hawkins and Sullivan counties, and 200 from Washington County to march against the Chickamauga towns. Witnessed by Dan Kennedy. A.D.S. 2pp. – from the Wisconsin Historical Society.

Overton County

During the late 1700s, Simeon started buying land grants in Overton County on the Roaring River. The first land grant was dated June 24, 1793. This land grant was for 1,000 acres. The only number on the document was 52. Silvanis Levi John, Simeon Hinds and Francis Mayberry purchased 1,000 acres for 10L per acre. The land was in the Eastern district in

Cumberland Valley. The land began at a Poplar Mable and Gum. The survey began on the East fork of Whites Creek standing on a drain on the south side of the valley path running south east fifty-seven poles to a stake then south west five hundred and sixty-four poles North West two hundred and eighty-four poles and North East five hundred and sixty-four poles. Then crossing the valley to the beginning.

The next land grand was dated January 26, 1813. This grant was for 8 acres of land in Overton County in the third district, on the North side of Roaring River. The parcel began at a forked cherry tree marked thus S.H. standing in the South boundary line of a two-hundred-acre entry whereon said Hinds now lives. Then runs East fifty-two poles to a hickory and poplar standing on the West side of a small path and on the side of a hill. Then North twenty-six poles to a hickory and dogwood in the above-mentioned line of two hundred acres. Then West with to the beginning line fifty-two poles.

The third land grant was received on May 3, 1814, TN No. 5580. It was a grant for 70 acres in Overton County, in the third district and on Roaring River. The property is again marked by trees and measured in poles.

The fourth land grand was on May 23, 1814, TN No. 5580, for 70 acres in Overton County, in the third district, and on Roaring River. The land parcel began at a Red Elm and White Swamp Oak on the side of a mountain. Then going North fifty-four degrees East with said mountain one hundred poles to a White Oak and Dogwood. Then South three degrees East eighty poles to a White Oak and Poplar on the side of said mountain. Then South fifteen degrees West seventy poles to a White Hickory on the side of said mountain and finally North sixty-four degrees West one hundred poles running down Roaring River to a Birch and from there North twenty degrees West sixty poles to the beginning.

There were five other grants. April 13, 1817, TN No. 9962 for

29 acres April 30, 1817, TN No. 9965 for 19 acres November 26, 1839, TN No. 7639 for 15 acres, November 26, 1839, TN No. 7637 for 37.5 acres, and November 27, 1839 for 4 acres.

The State of North Carolina

If you will notice, some of the same trees are used to mark the parcel so he must have been enlarging his plantation.

According to the book, Overton County, Tennessee: Genealogical Records, all of the land that the Hinds acquired created a large plantation.

Have given & granted & by these presents do give & grant unto the said Silas Loei John & Simon Hinds & Francis Mayberry a tract of land containing One thousand acres lying & being in the Eastern district in Cumberland Valley. Beginning at a Poplar tree & from the beginning of a survey on the East fork of White Creek standing on a drain on the south side of the Valley with the running South one fifty seven poles to a stone then South west five hundred & eight poles North west two hundred & eight four poles & North East five hundred & eight four poles then crossing the Valley the Beginning

As by the plat hereunto annexed doth appear together with all lands, waters, mines, minerals, hereditaments & appurtenances to the said land belong. It shall to the said Silas Loei John & Simon Hinds & Francis Mayberry their heirs & assigns forever yielding & paying to us such sums of money of yearly or otherwise as our General Assembly from time to time shall direct. Provided always that the said Silas Loei John & Simon Hinds & Francis Mayberry shall cause this grant to be registered in the Register's office of said Hawkins County within twelve months from the date hereof otherwise the same shall be void & of no effect.

Witness Our hand, we have caused these, our letters to be made patent and our Great Seal to be hereunto affixed.

Witness R. D. Spraight

Esquire, our Governor, Captain General and Commander-in-Chief at Nashville
this 29th day of June, in the 17th year of our Independence and in the year of our Lord 1773

By his Excellency's Command.

J. Glasgow

Secretary.

R. D. Spraight

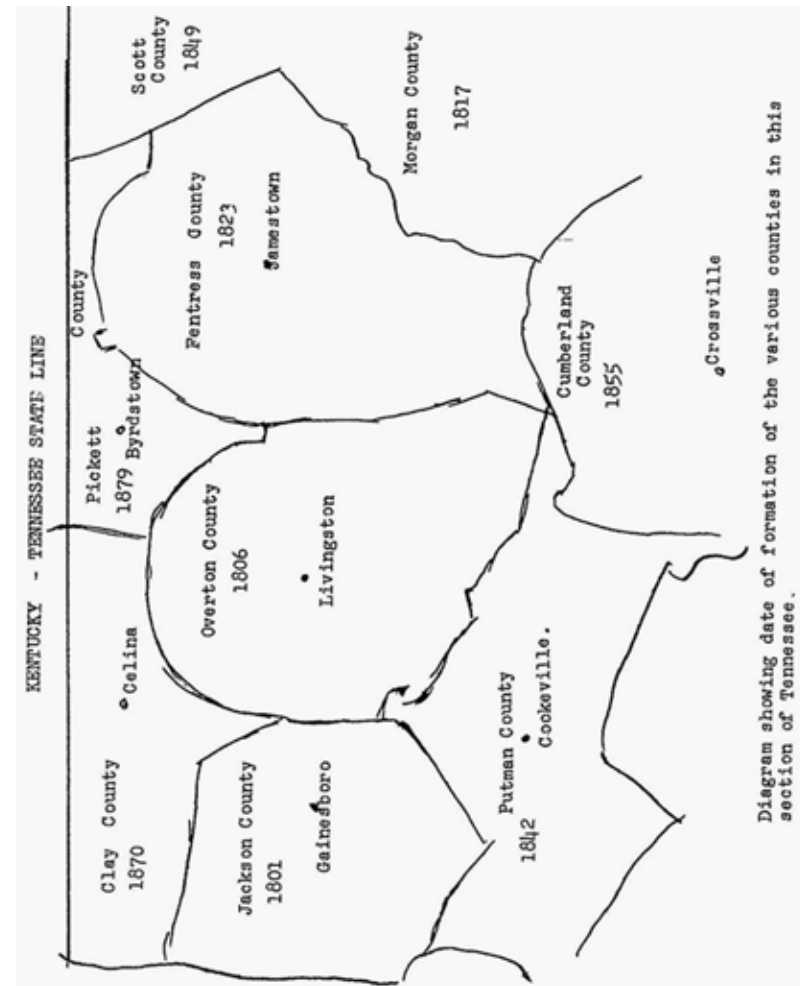


Diagram showing date of formation of the various counties in this section of Tennessee.

Recorded May 24th 1816

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THE STATE OF TENNESSEE—No. 5586.

To all to whom these presents shall come, GREETING:

KNOW YE, THAT by virtue of part of Certificate N^o. 389, dated January 10th 1810, obtained from the Commissioner of West Tennessee by Benjamin Totten, and entered on the 4th day of October 1816 by N^o. 1526.

There is granted by the said state of Tennessee unto Simon Hinds Assignee of the said Benjamin Totten.

A Certain Tract or Parcel of Land, containing seventy acres lying in Benton County, in the third District, and on Roaring River. Beginning at a red elm and swamp white oak on the side of a mountain, running thence North fifty four degrees East, with said mountain one hundred poles to a white oak and dogwood, thence South thirty three degrees East eighty poles to a white oak and poplar on the side of said mountain, thence South fifteen degrees West twenty poles to a white hickory, on the side of said mountain, thence North sixty four degrees West one hundred poles, running down Roaring River to a buck, and from thence North twenty degrees West sixty poles to the Beginning—Surveyed October 31st 1811, by William Fleming D.S.

With the hereditaments and appurtenances, to have and to hold the said Tract or Parcel of Land with the appurtenances, to the said Simon Hinds

and his heirs forever: In witness whereof Willie Blount Governor of the State of Tennessee, hath hereunto set his hand and caused the great seal of the state to be affixed, at Nashville on the twenty third day of May in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fourth and of the Independence of the United States, the thirty eighth

BY THE GOVERNOR,

Willie Blount

W. G. Blount SECRETARY.

Recorded May 5th 1813

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The State of Tennessee—N^o. 4496

To all whom these presents shall come—GREETING:

KNOW YE, That by virtue of part of Certificate N^o. 389, dated the 10th day of January 1810, obtained from the Commissioner of West Tennessee by Benjamin Totten, and entered on the 4th day of October 1811 by N^o. 1527.

there is granted by the said state of Tennessee unto Simon Hinds Assignee of the said Benjamin Totten a certain tract or parcel of land, containing eight acres, lying in Benton County, in the third District, on the North side of Roaring River. Beginning at a forked cherry tree, marked thus: H. standing in the South boundary line, of a two hundred acre entry, between said Hinds now lives, running thence South twenty six poles to two dogwoods and poplar, thence East fifty two poles to a hickory and poplar, standing on the West side of a small path, and on the side of a hill, thence North twenty six poles to a hickory and dogwood, in the above mentioned line, of two hundred acres, thence West with the aforesaid line fifty two poles to the Beginning—Surveyed the 31st day of October 1811, by W^m. Fleming, C. S.

with the hereditaments and appurtenances—to have and to hold the said tract or parcel of land, with its appurtenances, to the said Simon Hinds

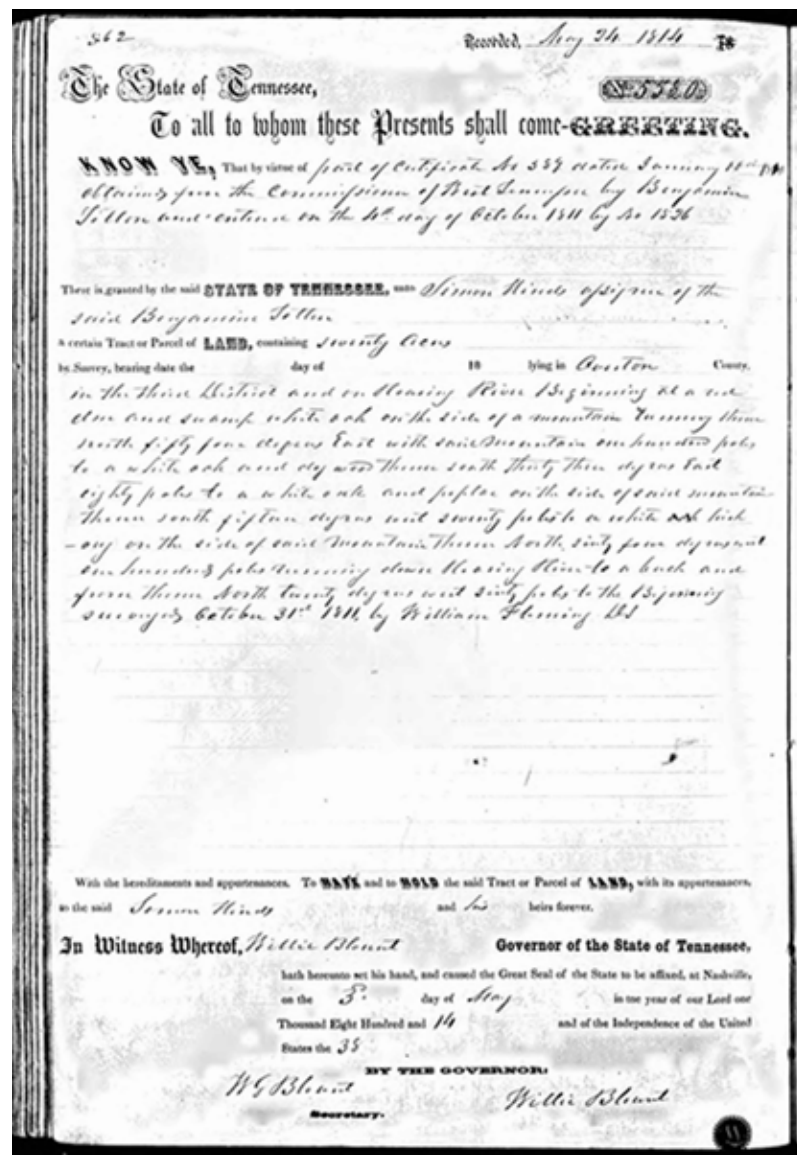
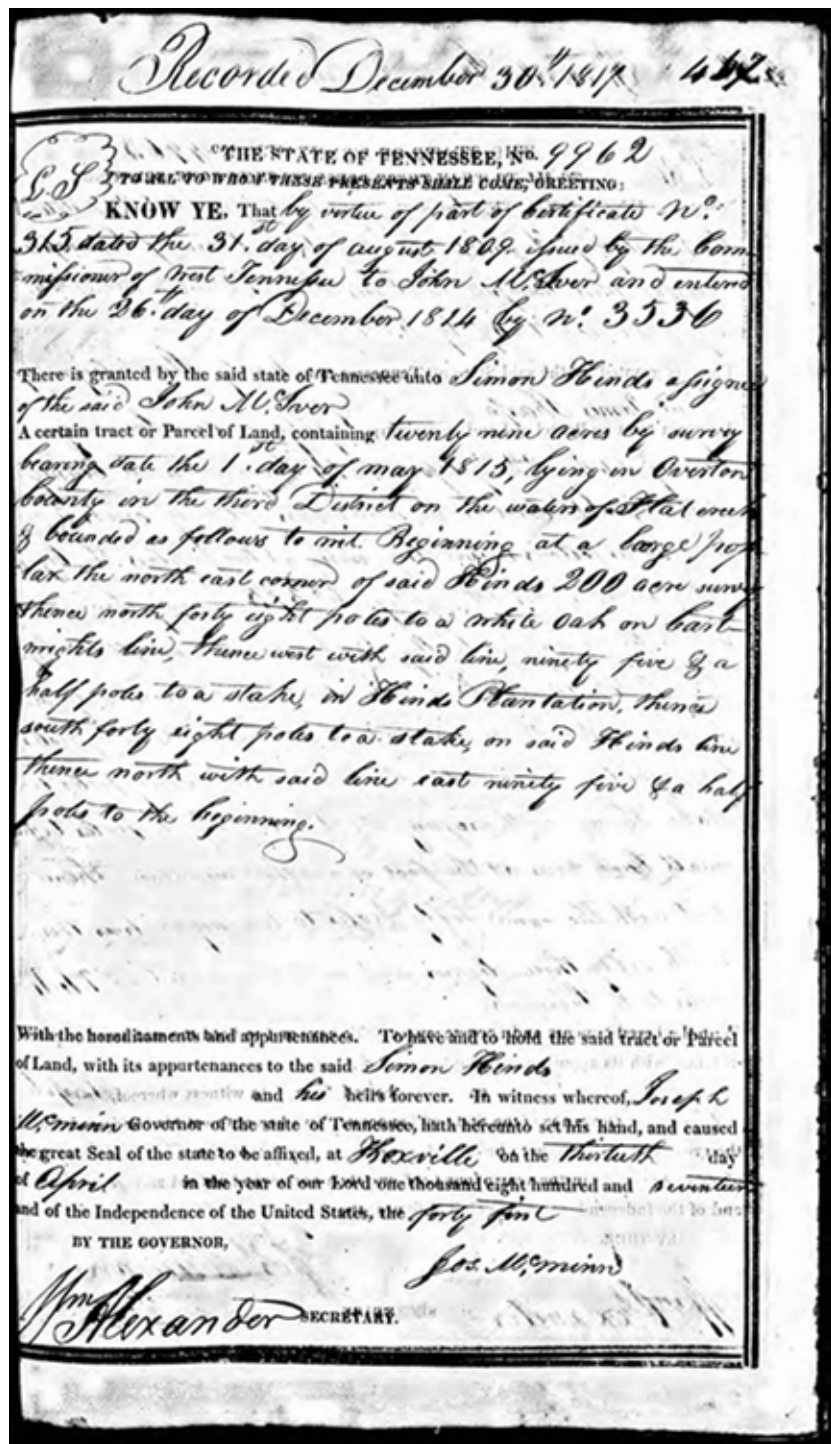
and his heirs forever.—IN WITNESS whereof Willie Blount Governor of the state of Tennessee, hath hereunto set his hand and caused the great seal of the state to be affixed, at Nashville, on the twenty sixth day of January, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirteenth and of the Independence of the United States, the thirty seventh

By the Governor,

W. G. Blount

SECRETARY.

Willie Blount



ediments and appurtenances to have and to hold
 the said tract or parcel of land with its appurtenances
 to the said Simon Hinds and his heirs
 forever In witness whereof James K. Polk, Governor
 of the State of Tennessee has hereunto set his
 hand and caused the Great Seal of the State to
 be affixed at Nashville on the 26 day of November
 1839 and 64 year of our Independence
 By the Governor James K. Polk
 John D. Young
 Secretary

State of Tennessee Nov 26 1839

To all to whom these presents shall come greeting know
 ye that for and in consideration of the sum of twelve
 and one half cents per acre paid in to the office of
 the surveyor of Overton County and entered on
 the ninth day of January 1844 pursuant to the
 provisions of an act of the General Assembly of
 said State passed on the 22nd day of November 1833
 by Act # 546 there is granted by the said State of
 Tennessee unto Edward Gibbons a certain tract
 or parcel of land containing fifty acres by survey
 bearing date the 24th day of November 1833 lying
 in said County on the waters of Roaring River
 including ~~in~~ part of his improved land
 where Thomas Lee once lived Beginning at a
 stake and small black oak and black gum
 pointers in a small hollow at the side of Wearers
 Road in the Hunscom and in the east boundary of
 said Gibbons 140 acre tract known as the main
 tract or place Running east sixty four poles to
 a post oak and hickory and two black oak
 pointers in a small hollow then south one
 hundred and twenty six poles to a stake a post

Recorded D. O. 30 1841

The State of Tennessee,
 To all to whom these Presents shall come—GREETING.
 KNOW YE, That by virtue of Part of Certificate N: 106 dated
 the 14th day of May 1810 Issued by the Register
 of Land Tennessee to Tho: W. Carby Junior on the
 30th day of January 1812 by N: 1633

There is granted by the said STATE OF TENNESSEE, unto Simon Hinds
 of the County of Overton
 a certain Tract or Parcel of LAND, containing one acre
 by Survey, bearing date the 15 day of September 1814 lying in Overton County.

In the 3rd District on the South side of Roaring River
 bounded as follows: Thence Beginning at a black
 oak stake on the bank of said River, Running with
 the line of the poles to a large hickory in the middle
 of a Run Thence South 35th East with the Run
 forty two poles to a Stake on the west of the ridge
 Thence South 40 poles to a white oak Thence West
 twenty eight poles crossing a branch of the forked by
 on the point of a ridge Thence North forty poles
 crossing the Run continuing the same course 12
 poles in all fifty two poles to a bush at the
 foot of a bluff Thence North 38th East with
 the River twenty poles to a Rock Thence East
 ten poles to the Beginning

With the land and appurtenances. To HAVE and to HOLD the said Tract or Parcel of LAND, with its appurtenances,
 to the said Simon Hinds and his heirs forever.

In Witness Whereof, James K. Polk Governor of the State of Tennessee,
 hath hereunto set his hand, and caused the Great Seal of the State to be affixed, at Nashville
 on the 30 day of April in the year of our Lord one
 Thousand Eight Hundred and fourteen and of the Independence of the United
 States the 41

BY THE GOVERNOR:
John Mcmin
 Secretary

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Am witness whereof James H. Polk Governor of the State of Tennessee has hereunto set his hand and caused the Great Seal of the State to be affixed at Nashville on the 9th day of December 1839 and 64th year of our Independence
By the Governor James H. Polk - John A. Young
Secretary

State of Tennessee No 7637 37 1/2

To all to whom these presents shall come greeting know that for and in consideration of the sum of one Cent. per acre paid in to the Entry Taker of Overton County and entered on the 19th day of September 1836 pursuant to the provisions of an act of the General Assembly of said State passed on the 3rd day of December 1825 by No 707 there is granted by the said State of Tennessee unto Simon Hinds a certain tract or parcel of land containing thirty seven and one half acres by survey bearing date the 1st day of November 1833 lying in said County on the waters of Flat Creek and Roaring River Beginning at a stake in the South boundary line of a two hundred acre Tract on which said Hinds now lives and at the North East Corner of an eight acre Tract owned by said Hinds Running East with said two hundred acre Tract Twenty eight poles to a poplar and red oak on the side of the mountain then South twenty seven east seventy six poles to a double maple and white oak pointer on the side of said mountain then west ninety two poles to a white oak and a black red oak and poplar pointers on the side of said mountain then North

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State of Tennessee No 7639 15

To all to whom these presents shall come greeting know that by virtue of entry No 10699 made in the office of the Entry Taker of Overton County and entered on the 30 day of November 1836 pursuant to the provisions of an act of the General Assembly of said State passed on the 9th day of January 1830 there is granted by the said State of Tennessee unto Simon Hinds a certain tract or parcel of land containing fifteen acres by survey bearing date the 20th day of March 1839 lying in said County on the waters of Flat Creek and Roaring River Beginning at a white oak and black and hickory and maple pointers in the West boundary of a ninety acre entry made in the name of Moss Hick and now owned by John C. Brown and whose the said line crosses the Road leading from said Hinds down Roaring River Beginning Running South seventy nine degrees West fourteen poles to a white oak and white oak pointer supposed to be at or near the corner of said Hinds ninety five acre tract then north 85 west 92 poles supposed to run with said line to a cucumber tree and two sugar trees pointers on top of the mountain then north with said mountain twenty seven poles to a small dogwood and two black oak pointers on the side of said mountain thence east eighty six poles to a beech and Buckeye and Beech pointers in said Brown line then South with the same twenty two poles to a white oak and dogwood then east twenty poles to a black oak and hickory then South ten poles to the Beginning with the

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and return on the 4th day of March 1825
pursuant to the provisions of an act of the
General Assembly of said State passed on the
22nd November 1823 by No 1188 there is gran-
ted by the said State of Tennessee unto

Samson Hinds a certain Tract or parcel of
Land containing Four acres by survey bear-
ing date the 1st day of November 1823 lying
in said county on the waters of Lick Creek the
waters of Roaring River including his im-
provement Beginning at a Sugar-tree in the north
boundary of said Hinds ninety five acre survey
occupied once by Sterling Hinds and now by said
Hinds Running North sixty five west with said
boundary twenty four poles to a Sycamore on the bank
of said Creek then up said Creek and bluff north
Twenty East fourteen poles to a hornbeam on the
bank of the creek then north 28 East with-
the same to the mountain nine poles to a
small Elm and Oakys then South two degrees
west with said mountain to the Beginning
Warrant hereditaments and appurtenances to have
and to hold the said Tract or parcel of land with
its appurtenances to the said Samson Hinds and
his heirs forever In witness whereof James
McPhee Governor of the State of Tennessee has
here unto set his hand and caused the Great Seal
of the State to be affixed at Nashville on the
27th day of November 1829 and 64 year of
our Independence By the Governor James
McPhee James Young Secretary

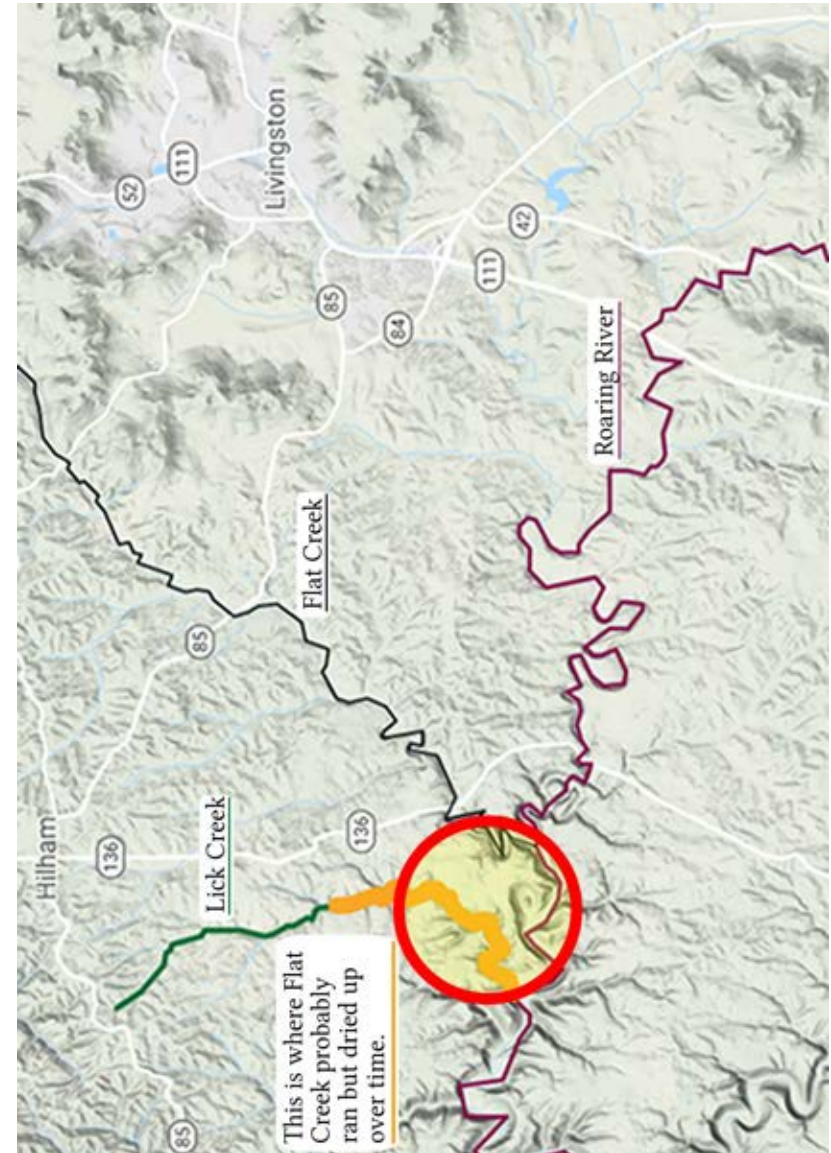
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Twenty six west forty six and a half poles
with said mountain to a poplar the South
East corner of said Eight acre tract then north
twenty six poles to the Beginning -
With the hereditaments and appurtenances
to have and to hold the said tract or parcel
of land with its appurtenances to the said
Samson Hinds and his heirs forever -
In witness whereof James McPhee Governor
of the State of Tennessee has here unto set his
hand and caused the Great Seal
of the State to be affixed at Nashville on the
26th day of November 1829 and 64 year
of our Independence By the Governor
James McPhee James Young Secretary

State of Tennessee No 7948 20

To all to whom these presents shall come Greeting
Know ye that by virtue of entry No 1272 made
in the office of the Entry Taker of Norton County
and entered on the 10th day of January 1824
pursuant to the provisions of an act of the Gen-
eral Assembly of said State passed on the ninth
day of January 1820 there is granted by the said
State of Tennessee unto Stephen Lipton
a certain Tract or parcel of land
containing twenty acres by survey bearing da-
te on the 3rd day of May 1827 lying in said
county on the head waters of Roaring River
the better come Beginning at an ash the north
west corner of a 75 acre tract where on the
said Lipton lives Running west with Good-
rich Hartmans line in all thirty five poles
to a dogwood and four logs then South

Children of Simeon, Jr. and Elizabeth (Stone) Hinds:



8 James Clinton Hinds
 As near as I can tell, from the land grants, Simeon's Plantation
 should be somewhere inside the red circle shaded in yellow.
 d. 28 Dec. 1853, Itawamba County, MS. m. Iwanna R.
 Hill b. 1821 d. unk

9. Caroline Hinds b. 25 Apr 1816, Hilham Plantation, Overton County, TN d.unk m. William "Billy" Pharis,

10. Melissa Hinds b. Apr. 1818, Overton County, TN d. Apr. 1860, Overton County, TN m. John "Buck" Bealy b. 1818 d. 1870

11. Dr. Simeon Hinds b. 29 Mar 1818, Overton County, TN d. 10 Oct 1892, Putnam County, TN m. Margaret B. Gardenhire b. 1822 d. 1854



Late 1800's Cookeville, Putnam Co., Tennessee
Z. T. Hinds Drugstore. L to R: on the left is Dr. Simeon Hinds, James M. Hinds is in the middle, and Z. T. Hinds is on the right.

Hinds Aunts, Uncles and Cousins



(above left) Rhoda Webb (1817-1905), wife of Rev. Dr. George John Hinds (above right) Rhoda Webb as a young woman (below) Rhoda, Amanda, daughter, Blanche, daughter of Amanda and son, Raymond





*Robert & Rachel Hinds
Medearis Family*

*(right) Rachel Amanda
Elizabeth Hinds (below)
Robert Anderson & Rachel
"Amanda" Hinds Medearis*



Robert Anderson & Rachel "Amanda" Hinds Medearis



*Rachel Amanda
Elizabeth Hinds*



(above) William Green Dudley Hinds (below far right) Rev. Simpson Weaver



Cloe Hinds Fry

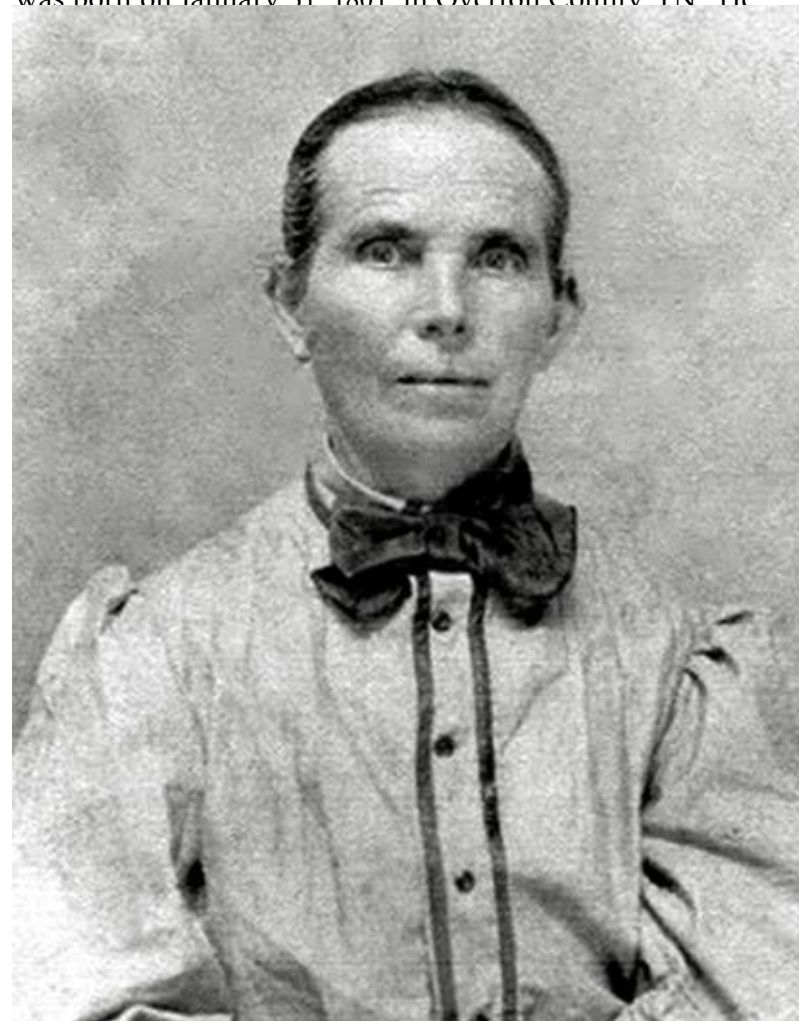
Look What My Grandparents Did!

Hinds Family Branch

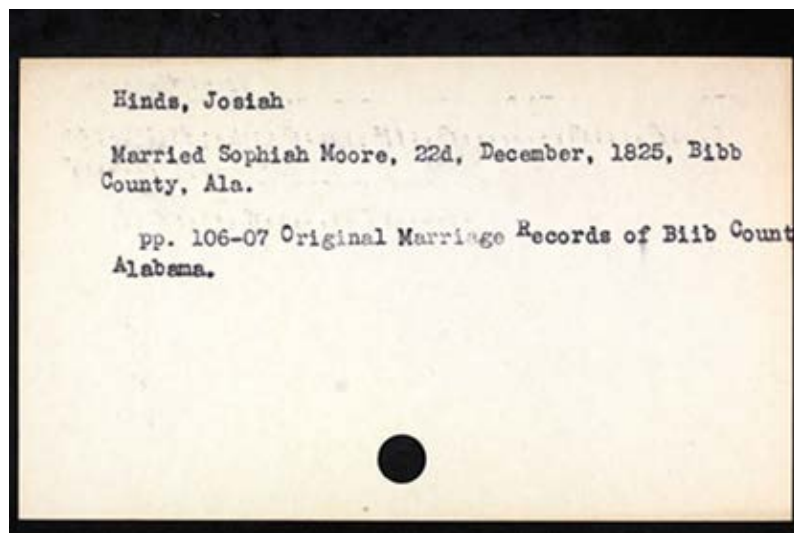


Dr. Josiah Livingston Hinds, Sr. (1804-1864)

Josiah L. Hinds, son of Simeon, Sr. and Elizabeth Stone Hinds, was born on January 31, 1801, in Overton County, TN. He



Sarah Emaline Harris, daughter of Mary Ann "Polly" Hinds



No 249.

Joseph Hinds

Marriage License

To

Sophia Moore

Recorded in Book B.
page 108

I do Certify
that I have
solemnized
the rights of
Matrimony
between Joseph
Hinds and
Sophia Moore
on the 22^d of
December 1825
Hugh W. Moore

Secretary
J. M. Hinds

The United States of America,

To all to whom these presents shall come, Greeting:

Remember, Joseph Hinds, of the County of Williams, in the State of Virginia,

being detained in the General Land Office of the United States, a certificate of the Register of the Land Office at Washington,

whereby it appears that full payment has been made by the said William H. Hinds,

the West half of the North-West quarter of Section twenty-eight in Township twenty-three of Range eleven East, in the district of land offered for sale at Washington,

Kabonara containing seventy-nine acres and eighty-seven hundredths of an acre,

according to the official plat of the survey of the said land, returned to the General Land Office by the Surveyor General, which said tract has been purchased by the said William H. Hinds.

NOW KNOW YE, That the **UNITED STATES OF AMERICA**, in consideration of the premises, and in conformity with the several acts of Congress, in such case made and provided, have given and granted, and by these presents, do give and grant, unto the said Joseph Hinds,

and to his heirs, the said tract above described, together with the right and privilege of enjoying the same, unto the said Joseph Hinds, his heirs and assigns forever.

Witness our hand and the Seal of the United States of America, this twenty-second day of December, 1825.

In testimony whereof, I, Andrew Jackson,

PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, have caused these Letters to be made Patent, and the said General Land Office to be forever closed.

Witness my hand at the City of Washington, the twenty-second day of December, 1825.

And of the Signatures of the United States, I have caused the said Joseph Hinds to be signed, and the said General Land Office to be forever closed.

L.S.

Joseph Hinds

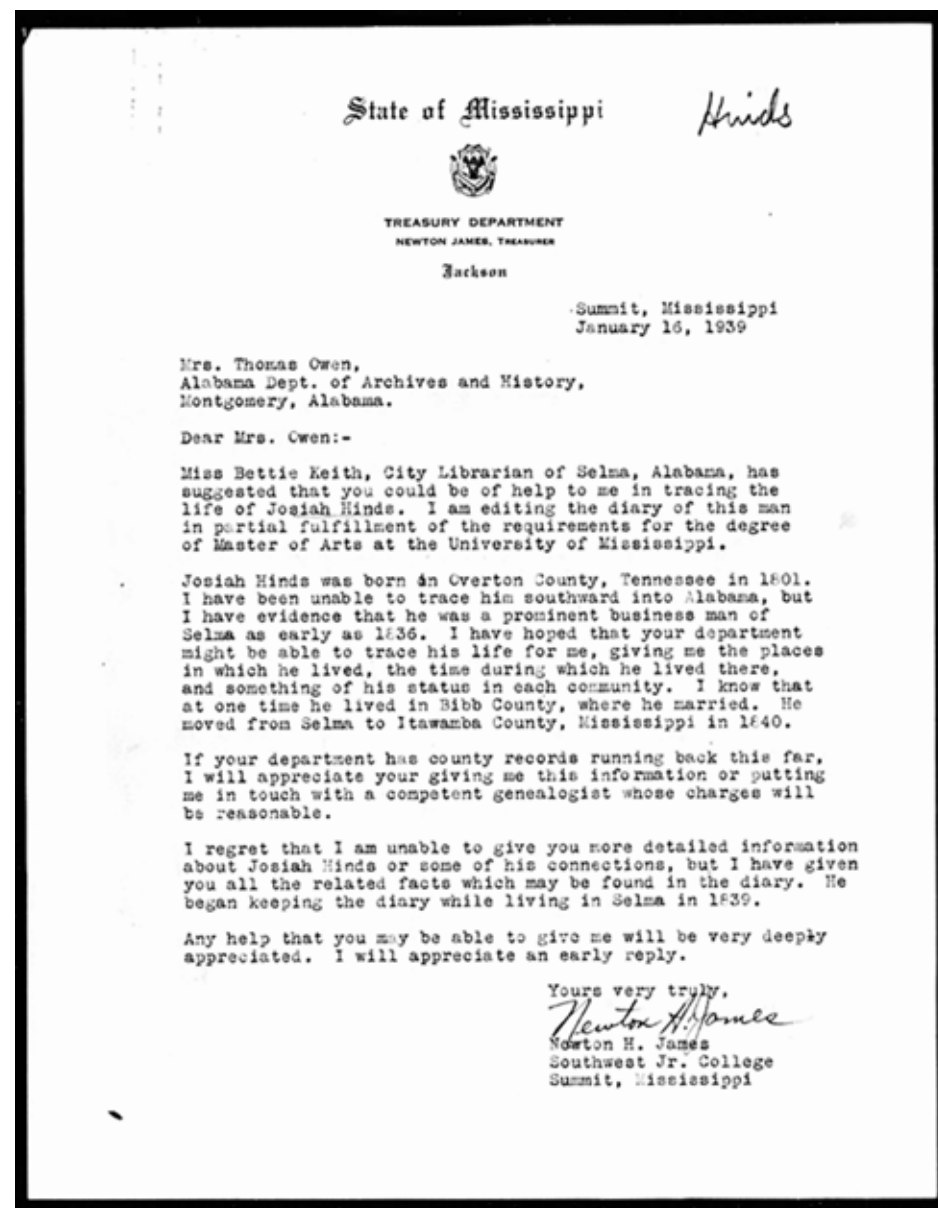
By the Secretary

(S)

Secretary of the General Land Office

James Bennett
20 Oct. 1835
Richthelwell, Wm. 1837. David Collins 20 Aug 1838

Hinds, Josiah L

Children of Dr. Josiah and Sophia (Moore) Hinds:

Frances Elizabeth Hinds Piercy (1804-1864)

Frances Elizabeth Hinds Piercy, daughter of Dr. Josiah L. and Sophia Moore Hinds, was born on August 27, 1827 in Alabama. She married Dr. Duke Piercy on July 19, 1849 in Mississippi. Duke was born on May 14, 1822 in North Carolina and was killed in the Battle of Vicksburg around 1863.

Frances Elizabeth Hinds Piercy died on December 27, 1904 in Shelby County, TN. She is buried at Hinds Chapel Cemeter in Lake Cormorant, MS.

One of the stories I remember about Frances Piercy is during the War of the States. Her husband was a doctor, Dr. Duke Piercy. The Union would setup road blocks and search people as they traveled. Frances Piercy would hid medicine in her hoop skirts to get it through thes road blocks and to the soldiers that needed aid.

Children of Frances E Hinds & Dr. Duke Piercy

1. Mary France Piercy
b. 10 Apr 1851, MS d. Abt. 1872
2. Caroline Sophia "Aunt Lilly" Piercy
b. 26 Jun 1855, TX d. unk m. Erasmus Virgil Holliday b. 1853 d. unk
3. William Thomas Piercy*
b. 15 Sep 1863, Hernando, MS d. 26 Dec 1940, Shelby County, TN m. Alice Elizabeth Dodson
b. 4 Mar 1872, Whitehaven, TN d. 29 May 1934

William Thomas Piercy (1863-1940)

William Thomas Piercy, son of Dr. Duke and Frances Elizabeth (Hinds) Piercy, was born on September 15, 1863 in Hernando MS. He married Alice Elizabeth Dodson on April 22, 1892. Alice was born on March 4, 1872 in Whitehaven, TN to Valentine T. (1848-1897) and Misouria Sophia Herring (1861-1885) Dodson. She died on May 29, 1934, one month before my mother, Margaret Alice Nichols was born. William "Bill" died on December 26, 1940. William, Alice, and Valentine are buried at Edmondson Cemetery in Southaven, MS. IT is unknown where Duke and Misouria are buried.

Children of William Thomas & Alice Elizabeth Dodson Piercy

1. Mary Frances Piercy
b. 3 May 1893, Whitehaven, TN d. 1 Aug 1964, Munford, TN m. 12 Oct 1913 Elbert R. Nichols, Sr. b. 1889 d. 1964
2. William "Bill" Henry Piercy, Sr.
b. 8 Jan 1895, Whitehaven, TN d. 12 Nov 1969, Memphis, TN m. 24 Dec 1919 Willie Alma McOwen b. 1901 d. 1993
3. Duke Piercy
b. 18 Sep 1896, Whitehaven, TN d. 4 Oct 1901, Whitehaven, TN (Duke died of Scarlet Fever)
4. Walter Fletcher Piercy
b. 23 Dec 1898, Whitehaven, TN d. 8 May 1965 Prescott, AZ m. 5 Jul 1923 Lucille Burke b. 1895 d. 1989

DATE OF MARRIAGE: April 25 1892

BY WHOM MARRIED: W. J. Hinds

WHEN RECORDED: May 19 1892

SHELBY COUNTY, TENN. That we, W. J. Hinds and A. S. Brooks of the County of Shelby and State of Tennessee, are lawfully married and fully capable, to which payment well and truly be made, we bind ourselves, our heirs, executors and administrators, and each and every one of us, jointly and severally, by these presents.

Witness our hands and seals, this 25 day of April 1892

W. J. Hinds [GAT.]
A. S. Brooks [GAT.]

THE CONDITION OF THE ABOVE OBLIGATION IS SUCH, That whereas, the above husband has this day granted and obtained a license to marry and for which license is desired, then this obligation to remain in full force and virtue in law.

ATTEST: A. S. Brooks Clerk.
J. W. Hinds D. C.

Marriage license for William Thomas Piercy and Alice Elizabeth Dodson
 The license was found at an estate sale in Memphis and sent to me in 2017.



Abt. 1899 - Alice Elizabeth Dodson with Mary Frances Piercy Nichols (abt. 6), William Henry Piercy Sr. (abt. 4), Duke Piercy (abt. 2), and Walter Fletcher Piercy (less than a year old)

SCHEDULE I.—Free Inhabitants in The Galasso Division in the County of *Wolfeboro'* State *N.H.*
of *Wolfeboro'* enumerated by me, on the *28* day of *Sept* 1850. *John A. Murray* Ass't Marshal.

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Dwellings-houses numbered in the order of visitation.	Families numbered in the order of visitation.	The Name of every Person whose usual place of abode on the first day of June, 1850, was in this family.	PERSONS.			Profession, Occupation, or Trade of each Male Person over 15 years of age.	Value of Real Estate owned.	Place or Birth. Naming the State, Territory, or Country.	Married within the year. Attended School within the year. Persons over 20 years of age who cannot read & write.	Whether deaf and dumb, blind, insane, idiotic, pauper, or convict.
			Age.	Sex.	Color.					
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2	3	John A. Murray	27	M	White	Farmer	\$500	Wolfeboro'		
3	4	John A. Murray	25	M	White			Wolfeboro'		
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Short's. I want to see my
 hand and see how building at
 Papa in waterloo: I want
 to see how the building
 it was so fast. The picture
 has made me to be a
 my heart too. Do you think
 and see how the picture?

MARGIN RESERVED FOR BINDING

Form U. S. No. 1

Size 8 1/2 x 11 1/2

N. B.—WRITE PLAINLY, WITH UNFADING INK—THIS IS A PERMANENT RECORD. Every item of information should be carefully supplied. AGE should be stated EXACTLY. PHYSICIANS should state CAUSE OF DEATH in plain terms, so that it may be properly classified. Exact statement of OCCUPATION is very important. See instructions on back of certificate.

1. PLACE OF DEATH County <u>Shelby</u>		STATE OF TENNESSEE STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH Division of Vital Statistics CERTIFICATE OF DEATH	
Civil Dis. <u>3</u>		File No. <u>11992</u>	
Village <u>Memphis</u> (No. <u>1003</u>)		Registration District No. <u>4403</u>	
City <u>Memphis</u> (No. <u>1003</u>)		Primary Registration District No. <u>4403</u>	
Length of residence in <u>Memphis</u> <u>2</u> years		Ward <u>6-20</u>	
2. FULL NAME <u>Miss Alice C. Pease</u>		3. SEX <u>Female</u>	
(a) Residence No. <u>1003</u>		(b) Place of birth <u>Memphis, Tenn.</u>	
PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS			
4. SEX <u>Female</u>	5. COLOR <u>White</u>	6. RACE <u>White</u>	7. AGE <u>24</u>
8. DATE OF BIRTH <u>May 24, 1892</u>			
9. PLACE OF BIRTH <u>Memphis, Tenn.</u>			
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11. TIME OF DEATH <u>11:30 A.M.</u>			
12. CAUSE OF DEATH <u>Indurated atherosclerosis</u>			
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Mary Frances Piercy Nichols (1893-1964)

Mary Frances Piercy Nichols was born to William Thomas and Alice Elizabeth Dodson on May 3, 1893 in Whitehaven, TN. She married Elbert Royal Nichols, Sr. on October 12, 1913 in Memphis, TN. (There is more about their marriage in her diary.) Elbert was born on October 20, 1889 in Kenton, Obion County, TN and died on February 2, 1966 in Munford, TN. Mary Frances died on August 1, 1964 in Munford, TN. They are both buried in Helen Crigger Cemetery in Munford.

*Children of Dr. Elbert Royal & Mary Frances
Piercy Nichols*

1. Mary Frances Nichols Howard b. 26 Jul 1914, Memphis, TN d. 12 Apr 1980, Munford, TN m. 16 Aug 1935 John Timberlake "Lake" Howard, Jr. b. 1914 d. 1987
2. Elbert Royal Nichols, Jr. b. 16 Mar 1918, Troy, Obion County, TN d. 7 Jan 1998, Memphis, TN m1. Ladye Francis Heath b. 1920 d. 2018 (married Ladye twice) m2. Nell m3. Virginia E. m4. Christine Sykes b. 1920 d. 2009
3. Walter Piercy Nichols b. 10 Feb 1920, Bradford, TN d. 4 Sep 2003, Muscle Shoals, AL m. Dorothy Zelle Moore b. 1921 d. 2011
4. Richard Thomas Nichols b. 7 Dec 1923, Bradford, TN d. 21 May 2000, Munford, TN m. 6 Jun 1943 Helen Doris Bomar b. 1924 d. 2006

5. Margaret Alice Nichols Williams b. 22 Dec 1934 m. 17 Jun 1956 Jim Tom Williams
6. Nancy Anne Nichols Gross b. 16 Jan 1937, Memphis, TN d. 14 Jun 2018, Phoenix, AZ m. 23 Oct 1955 Obie Norris Gross b. 20 Apr 1937

William "Bill" Henry Piercy, Sr. (1895-1969)

William "Bill" Henry Piercy Sr. was born on January 8, 1895 in Whitehaven, TN. He is the son of William Thomas and Alice Elizabeth Dodson. Bill married Willie Alma McOwen on December 24, 1919. Willie was born on June 18, 1901 in TN. Her parents were Dooley Henry (b. 1879 d. unk) and Cora Alma Gaskin McOwen (b. 1881 d. unk). Willie died on December 22, 1993 in Memphis, TN. Bill passed away many years before on November 12, 1969 in Memphis, TN.

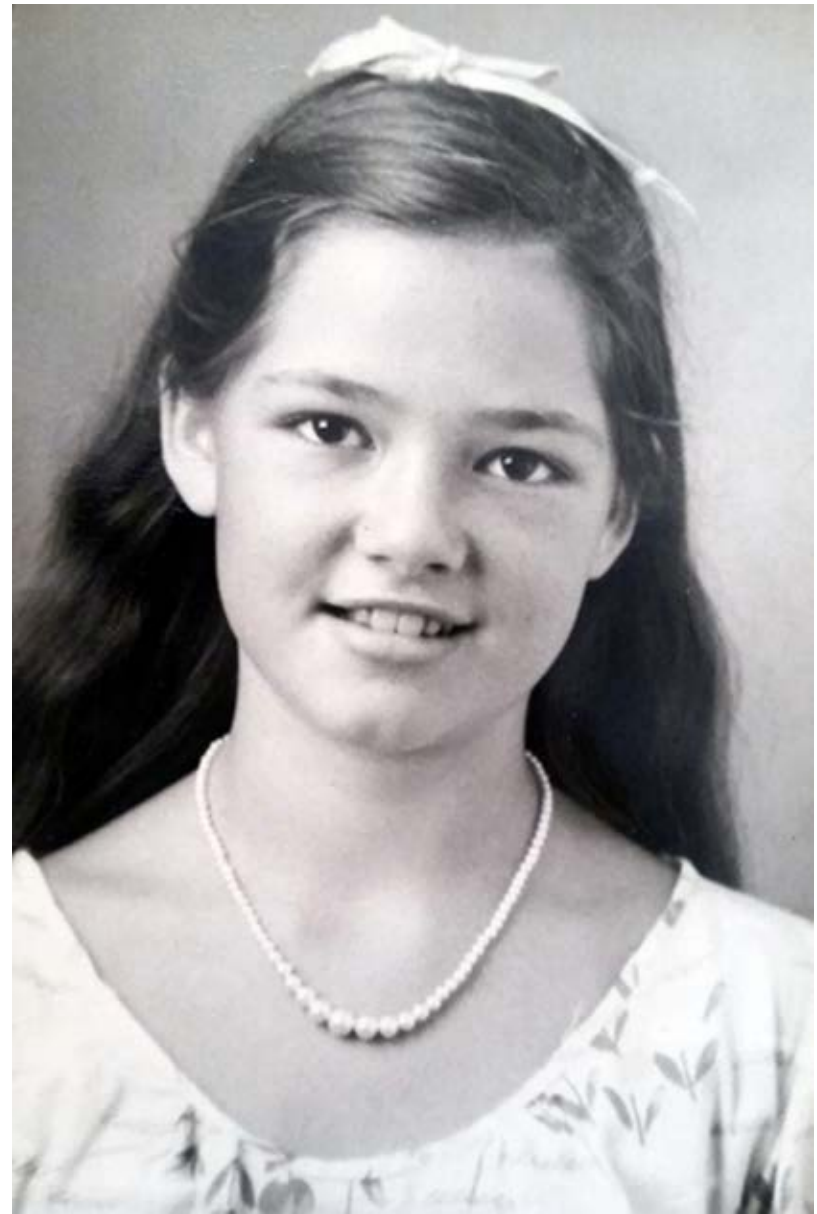
*Children of William Henry & Willie Alma McOwen
Piercy*

1. Baby Girl Piercy b. 12 Nov 1920, Raines, TN d. 12 Nov 1920, Raines, TN
2. Annie Mae Piercy b. 18 Sep 1922, Memphis, TN d. 12 Mar 2004, Memphis, TN m. James Edward Johnston
3. Martha Lee Piercy b. 14 May 1924, Memphis, TN d. 14 Mar 1929, Memphis, TN
4. William Henry Piercy, Jr. b. 14 Sep 1926, Memphis, TN d. 29 Jun 1973, TN

5. Mary Ruth Piercy b. 12 Dec 1929, TN d. 25 Jan 2011, Memphis, TN m. Irving Hunter Turpin
6. Edward Duke "Ed" Piercy b. 20 Aug 1932 d. living m1. Becky son. Keith Edward Piercy b. 25 Jun 1968 m2. Elizabeth Dubuque b. 1953 d. living
7. Norma Jean Piercy b. 21 Jan 1935, TN d. 5 Apr 1993, Memphis, TN
8. Alice Elizabeth Piercy b. 17 Aug 1936 d. 27 Jun 2008, Memphis, TN

*The Diary of
Mary Frances
Piercy Nichols*

Grandparents - William and Alice



something about who your grandparents are, we'll say are, for I feel, they still live since I can give a more accurate account of my family, then I'll start with these first and leave space to

fill in for other information, I hope to get later.

My father, William Thomas Piercy, was born Sept 15, 1853, near Hernando, Miss. He was the son and first child of his parents. Dr. Duke Piercy, born May 14, 1822, either in Virginia or one of the Carolinas and Frances Elizabeth Hinds Piercy who was born August 27, 1827; They were married July 19, 1849, near Hernando, Miss.

My father had two sisters Mary Frances Piercy, born April 10, 1851 who died at the age of 21 years. Another sister Sophia C. Piercy born June 23, 1855 also in Mississippi, Sophia, who was married to E. V. Holliday, had six children and

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lived many years in San Antonio, Texas. Both lived there until their children grew up and both are buried there. There children were Eline, Effie, Mammie, Allen, Grady and Jim Holliday – to us Sophia was known as Aunt Lilly.

Giving you an insight of the earlier lines of Duke and Frances Piercy – They lived in Paris, Texas after receiving college educations and getting married. Dr. Piercy, my grandfather, built the first store in Paris, Texas, lived up stairs and had a drug store down stairs. He practiced medicine there, until the Civil War of the States. When he decided with my grandmother to bring the three children back to her father's home near Hernando, Miss. My grandfather left his property in the care of a Mr. Long there to look after it until they would return. The journey from Paris, Texas to Hernando, Miss. took two weeks as traveling in that day was a task, making that trip you'd consider today, a short one, but it was a long journey, by oxen, horses and rivers to cross without bridges.

They finally arrived at my grandmother's, father's home. He was Dr. Josiah Hinds, my grandmother was his oldest child. She was Frances Elizabeth Hinds. She had a brother who too was a

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doctor. He was known as Dr. Joe Hinds. Then there was a sister, who was 20 years younger than my grandmother. She was Mary Hinds and later married J. C. Cotton. Dr. Joe married a young lady who was Fanny — [Murray or Murrah]. I can't recall the name, but I knew Aunt Fanny well, and too, I knew Grandma's sister, Aunt Mary, who was always looking for joy and happiness and found fun any place she went. It was lots of fun to see her, so I can well recall from childhood. Aunt Fanny's family were said to be wealthy people. She, they said never worked. She liked to rock her babies and if I recall correctly she had about 10. One was Elizabeth, Robert, Carrie, Joe, Bishop, and the other names I can't recall (Jance(?) remembers the name Bridgeforth Hinds) Elizabeth was called Lizzie and has a daughter who lives at Horn Lake, Miss. Elizabeth Hughey, M. A. Hinds who is sheriff of Shelby Co. is the son of one the boys –

I can remember seeing Uncle Joe Hinds once as a very young child. He was Dr. Joe Hinds and had visited my grandmother Piercy he called her "Sister Frances" and she called

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him "Brother Joe" I only remember him as he rode down the road towards White Haven to Horn Lake. He rode erect and had just been by for a visit.

Aunt Mary married Jim Cotton and she had two sons Clarence, who lived in California after he grew up and Arthur whose wife was Gracey. She had a brother-in-law named Gene Ragan and a nephew Clarks Ragan. All those lived in Memphis.

Aunt Mary and Uncle Jim also had one daughter, very beautiful, Alma, who ran away and married Theodore Hunn, much older than her. He wanted no children and when Alma was about 5 months with child, a doctor operated on her in the home and she died. So Aunt Mary always felt it was pure murder.

Alma was buried in Elmwood Cemetery in his family's lot, and I've been there as a young girl with Aunt Mary and have seen the terrible grief it caused her. The only consolation of her death was they preferred death for their daughter rather than for her to live with such a cruel and heartless man. Aunt Mary too, was buried in Elmwood along with her husband. There will be other things I'll recall and tell you about individuals of things I heard from my grandmother Piercy. My father and my mother too.

Grandmother and Aunt Mary Cotton

TUESDAY, JANUARY 6, 1959

I want to tell you this funny thing about Aunt Mary Cotton and me (she was papa's aunt and my great aunt). I have spent time in her home, first when Grandma, her sister, 20 years older would go there. After through the years I would visit her. She lived till I was about 18 yrs. But this funny thing, there was a Confederate reunion and barbecue and other good food, so Aunt Mary and I went on a street car,

the place was known as East End, now its Forrest Hill Dairy. They had so many of the things they have for children now at the fairgrounds, so I met up with a Sunday School friend, Pearl Bowel. She is now Mrs. Aude Hassell and I had a letter this past week. Her sister Annie Bowe died at age of 66 yrs. Any way Pearl and I were in our teens and I just could not have enjoyed more all those shoot the Dep, the train and all the fun. There was a cloud coming up in the meantime from north it was terribly black and threatening, so Aunt Mary kept telling me us, Mary, be sure have got to go before that rain comes up, we got out to medrain's (?) are and got on the street car, and sure enough, the rain and wind came in gushes and waves

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It just could not have rained harder. We got to Main St. where we had to transfer. We had an umbrella, Aunt Mary wore glasses and the wind had gotten them so wet she went the wrong way on up Madison toward the post office. I said Aunt Mary this is the wrong way, so we turned to go back to N. West Corner of Main and Madison where the clock was for years and years. The umbrella turned wrong side out and I really got tickled. She said you idiot you would laugh if we drowned. We got back to the corner to catch our St. car. There was a sign there and it hit a girl who was there with her date. He assessed the man next to her and they had a fight. The wind and rain was terrific. Finally, with our hats over our faces from rain and our shoes screeching from water and our clothes stuck to us, we went to the street car and soon got off at the corner about 2 blocks from her home. The rain had stopped by now and there were patches of sky, here and there. When we got to her home, her husband, Uncle Jim met us.
[cont. on March 1, 1959]

*Alice Elizabeth Dodson Piercy***WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 7, 1959***Glenda Jeane Howard 17 today.*

My mother was Alice Elizabeth Dodson the oldest of four children. I never knew her parents, her mother was Sophia Herring. Both parents were born in Mississippi. Her mother, my grandmother, was sick for a long time, and my mother being the oldest took care of her and her sisters, Jenny and Callie and her brother Henry. Her mother of course died early and her father remarried and had one son who was named Earl but my grandfather died, when I was maybe 4 yrs old. I can recall going to see him and they had a turkey gobbler and I always felt the gobbler was always ready to get me. They lived in a big house. I believe they said both my mother's parents had cancer too.

My mother's father objected to her marrying my father, mostly because he was 19 years older, so they eloped to Memphis and were married April 25, 1892. My father's mother had lived with him all the years, so early, my father found a colored boy seven years old, named Edd Norwood, whose step mother was mean to him. My father asked if Edd might live with him and his mother so he could be with her anytime he might not be home. So Edd was there

THURSDAY, JANUARY 8, 1959*William H Piercy 64 today.*

when my father and mother married and stayed on till I was

10 years old. He addressed "Papa" as Boss and Mamma as Miss Alice (Edd was older than my mother) and he called me baby and called my grandmother "Ole Miss". He said I was about the worst baby he ever saw. I think, he too rocked my cradle. They had cradles in those days. I was 16 months old before I walked Mamma said Grandma held me too much. Nancy, I really don't know why I was that old before I walked. My brother, Bill, arrived when I was 20 months old. And I went in the room with my grandmother Piercy. (Grandma is what I called her.) When I was one year old and stayed there with her on a white iron bed. I slept on until she passed away – Dec. 27, 1904. I really felt my grandmother was a most important person. Another brother, Duke, who was the only one of brothers who had grey eyes, died Oct. 4, 1901, when he was barely five years old. He was born Sept 18, 1896. Bill was born, Jan 8, 1895 and my brother Walter who was born Dec 23, 1898. Your children and all the family knew him as Uncle Walter.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 9, 1959

Duke died of scarlet fever, it was a cruel blow to the family, especially my dad. Walter after three years time filled in and helped Papa over come his sorrow to a great extent–

Grandma died of pneumonia. She just went to sleep. I recall some of the very happiest memories of childhood was that Grandma had two civil War friends both of them too, were doctor's widows. They had an old Colonial home with white plank fence all kinds of flowers and trees and to me it was like paradise. I often went there with Grandma. They were devoted friends, Mrs. Eliza Gabbert and Mrs. Ellen Ham, her daughter. Others visited there for the day, among them Mrs Jim Hale, Mrs. Farrow of White Haven, Mrs. Nail and Mrs. Pollard of Hernando, Miss. Grandma often spent a week or more in the home and caused papa to say Ma – I'll declare

looks like they just want you to live there. Mrs. Gabbert was just about blind and she was 84 years old and her daughter Ellen Ham was in her 60's. She called me her girl. She never had any children. And, they were Christians so from my earliest childhood, I was taught respect for God and people from my family as well as these very dear people.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 10, 1959

I just must tell you this, Grandma was sick at Christmas and my brother almost put his eye [out] with a fire cracker.

Dr. N. F. Raines of Raines, Tenn., was our family doctor. He has a son in Memphis, Dr. Sam Raines, and he visited Grandma, Dec. 26, said, she was going to get well but mamma decided to get Penny, who was married to Abe Lester. They were colored people, but they had lived there on the place many years, and we sure loved Penny and Abe. Any way Penny arrived to sit up with Mamma, and watch after Grandma. About mid-night, I heard Mamma tell Penny, she was going to die. Grandma had asked them to take her clothes off and all who knew her, knew her, as a most refined woman. She had a screen in the room and as a child I never saw her leg above the knee. And, that too, was also very important to papa, people should have respect for others and show good manners. So, the next morning a colored man

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went to tell Mrs. Gabbert and Mrs. Ham about Grandma. I can see Mrs. Ham now come in with her curly hair parted in the middle, her brown eyes so sad. She then told of her mother calling her at midnight, and telling her to get up, that my Grandma was dying. Mrs. Ham told her mother, that

there was no one calling but I well remember Mrs. Gabbert expected her daughter to do exactly what she told her, so Mrs. Ham said she went to the door of the big hall, that had beautiful colored glass on each side of the double doors and really there wasn't any one there, so she told her mother and her mother said, "Ellen there is someone saying, 'Mrs. Piercy is dying'". If this hadn't been so true, I am sure I could have forgotten it, for actually Grandma started at midnight to get weaker and weaker. And well I remember, Died about 10 a.m. of that day, Dec. 27, age 77 and said just before her going into the final sleep of death, "I am at peace with the World and God".

MONDAY, JANUARY 12, 1959

My father kept her three days as she requested it, she was highly educated and read many books – back in those days, people had been reported to have been sometimes buried alive. She was buried at Hinds Chapel, near Horn Lake and Hernando, Miss. Her father was founder of the church and cemetery which is there, at this date 1959, and a well kept cemetery.



I want to make plain here about my grandmother, she was not a superstitious person rather she was a woman of dignity, common sense of life, and thought and lived in those same terms, so what she had read was told by people who should have known. As for me, I feel it would certainly be most unusual to bury any one alive, unless you really were trying

to, but it maybe, could have been possible in that day as neighbors and friends prepared the body for burial.

Hinds Chapel & Edmondson Cemeteries

Sunday, Feb 15, 1959, your dad was going to see about some calves near Bull Frog Point, near Horn Lake, Miss. So I went and we visited Hinds Chapel.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 13, 1959

We turned right at the first crossroads past Bull Frog and followed the road and found directions to Hinds Chapel which we found all in good order, well fenced and the country church, which my great-grandfather founded in 1845 in good condition. he donated the ground it was built on and where the cemetery is. There we found the slab Josiah Hinds M.D. born Jan 31, 1801 – died May 6, 1864, inscribed were these words, “We sorrow not as those who have no hope”. His wife, my great-grandmother was Sophia Moore, daughter of J and Fanny Moore. I was unable to read inscription of her birth and death. My grandmother piercy too, is there, has a marker, Mrs. F. E. Piercy age 77 died in 1904, Dec 27 at 10 O’clock White Haven in the home of her son and my father William Thomas Piercy. My grandmother called him Will.

*Hinds
Chapel*





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Headstones of grandparents Sophia (previous page), Josiah (this page), and Frances Elizabeth (next page) with granddaughter, Margaret Williams



After a visit to Hinds Chapel your dad and I returned to State line and turned East and after going about 1 mile reached Edmondson Cemetery, where

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 14, 1959

my father and mother are resting. This I saw that about 2/3 of people there I had known – one was my mother's sister Callie, who married George McPeak

when she was 16 years old. Uncle George is what I always called him loved Aunt Callie very much. They had 4 children, Ruth, Walter, Robert and Julia Mae. One stormy night at

Horn Lake, Mississippi, where they lived and owned their home, Uncle George remembered about 8 pm he heard a terrible roaring. He thought it was a train. They lived close to railroad. Any way, brick from chimney came blowing into the room and the best he remembered about Aunt Callie was trying to get into a hall. The next he knew, she was dead and Ruth, their daughter. Walter and Robert badly hurt and Uncle George too. Julia Mae the baby girl was the only one not hurt. 15 people were killed in the storm – Aunt Callie and Ruth were blown into the ground and were so mangled. My mother said they were wrapped in sheets for burial. Uncle George and family later moved near Munford, Tennessee. He remarried had two more sons, later Julia Mae



George Lee McPeak was married to Caroline Mae Dodson, Aunt Callie. After her death, he married Amanda Ella "Mandy" Click. He is buried in Helen Crigger cemetery.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 15, 1959

Ma Nichols Birthday; I also had operation at Baptist one year ago.

and Robert both died and Uncle George too is dead, Walter and he lives in Memphis.

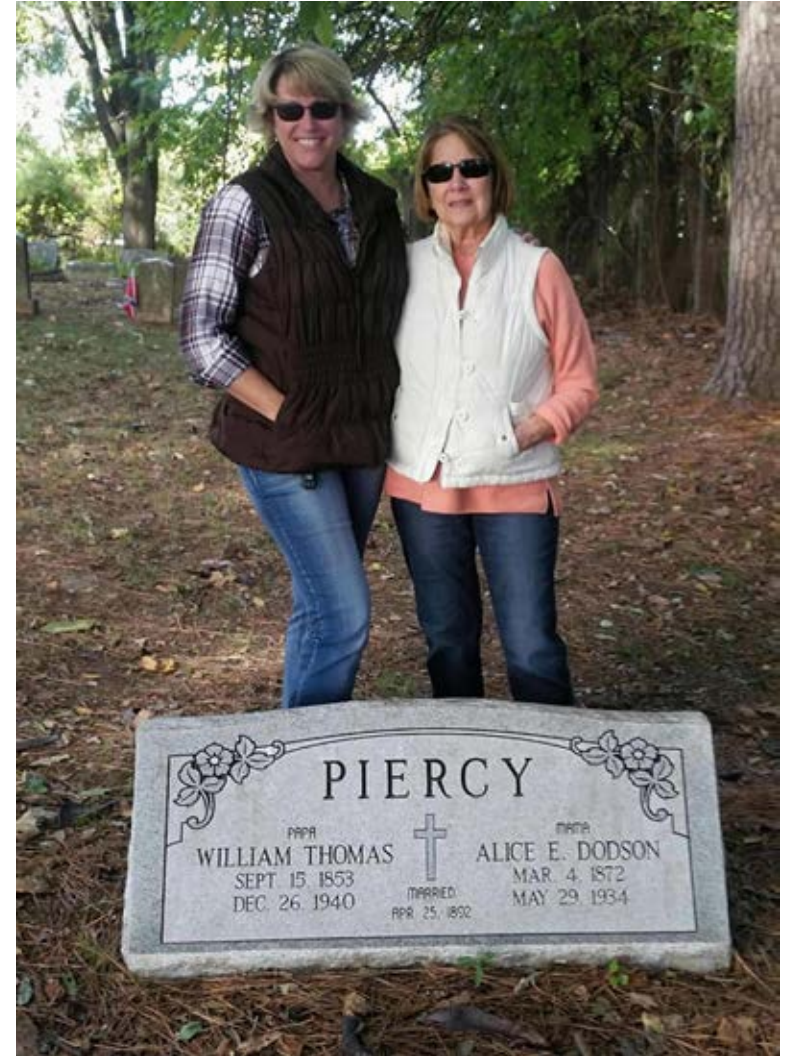
At Edmondson Cemetery, I saw the markers of Jesse Cobb [lot 250] has wife "Miss Rosa", Wm Hilderbrand [probably Earnest William Hilderbrand lot 133], the Vaughan family [lots H and I), the Hudgens family [lots D, E, Q, R, 8, 9, 93, 96, 152, 216, and 269], the Peek family including my Sunday school teacher Mr. Walter Peek [lots 8, 119, 120, 152, 159-164]. Oh! I could go on and on, I'll name one more Mrs. Hallie Brewster [lot 43]. She stayed with us often, several weeks at a time. When I was a small girl, she had one son Dunlap Brewster. When I first knew her and she lived by us on Mill Branch Road, that was the first place I can remember. Dunlap was killed when a bridge fell in. Mrs. Brewster had two grandchildren, Mammie and Dunlap, later Dunlap died and only Mammie survived. [Valentine T Dodson and Orin Earl Dodson are also buried there. lot 165 *through gate to left down hill*]



EDMONDSON
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
WITH CEMETERY
ESTABLISHED 1844



ML and Margaret at the headstone of Valentine T. Dodson, grandfather to Margaret and great grandfather to ML



Mary Lynne Williams & Margaret Alice Nichols Williams

Ducking Chickens and Other Childhood Memories

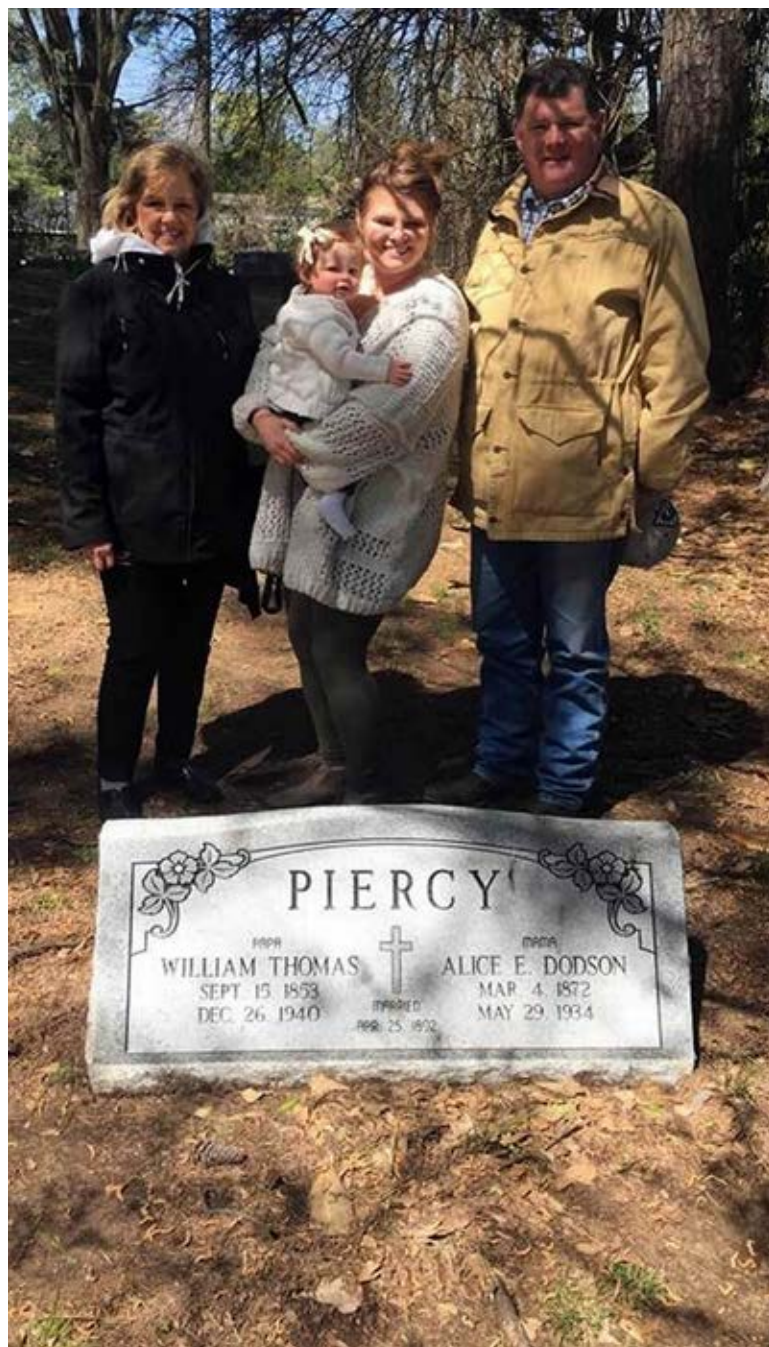
After leaving Edmondson, we returned to Memphis by way of Mill branch Rd, and we saw about two places, that were still there, the Will Robinson and Isebell homes. We passed the place where the Luthers lived. Mrs Luther was very sweet. Her husband was a German and much older than her. Next, we came to the place on Mill Branch, where I can still see

FRIDAY, JANUARY 16, 1959

Nancy A Nichols Gross 22 today.

as plan and clearly as in those days – we would drive to the big gate enter a woody lot, with all kinds of trees, including pecan to the left of house was a big pond, where mamma had one time, 75 ducks, that swam in the pond. Back of house on left was the barn and back of that more woods with a running stream of water.

Well, I recall one special day in June, Mamma and Grandma were having their first mess of fresh green beans from the garden which was an event back in those days, for we only had green beans in season. A few were kept in cans. They usually spoiled any way. Mrs. Hallie Brewster and her son “Mr. Dunlap”, we children called him, was just down the lane from us so Mrs. Brewster was invited to help enjoy those first beans, likely they had fresh onions too. Any way – it was a day, Nancy, I can never forget, with the help of my brothers, we would take it in turns and get corn from the crib and take the chickens to the stream back of the



Nancy Anne Nichols Gross, Lainey Grace Burt, Tara Gross Burt, and Jeff Gross - four generations

SATURDAY, JANUARY 17, 1959

Laura Lee Nichols 8 yrs old today.

barn, there were some right deep holes of water. We would catch a chicken and put it in water. Then hold it down in the water and it would sink. Guess we were trying to find out if the chickens could dive like the ducks and then come up and swim away. Well we were really having a good time. UNTIL, I looked up on the hill, calling from the barn lot – MARY REE – it had the “REE” on it, for I knew by the tone, something sure was going to take place! In a jiffy, the corn we had was put back into the crib. I don’t believe Bill and Duke, my brothers got the switching. I did. I was not over 5 or at most 6 cause it sure did hurt. I know we never ducked any more chickens for those that were ducked sure had a watery grave and I can almost feel that switch. Yet when I’ve looked, I didn’t see any of those things, they were gone and in their places were

SUNDAY, JANUARY 18, 1959

houses, the whole business now is a subdivision. Well it was sad to be again so close one more the blessed memories of childhood and now it was just a memory. I could almost see Papa there again, see the teams getting ready for the field. Mamma out gathering up the eggs, cooking or the many other things she had to do. We children were in bed by dark. They had what they called a foot tub, we were bathed and given our supper early, for they said children should be put to bed early. It was this place my brother Duke died. He and Bill rode on seat beside the colored man who was gathering corn, in a brand new two horse wagon with a spring seat. What joy they got from the ride to and from the field. When one afternoon both became ill, Dr. N. F. Raines, our family doctor, said it was scarlet fever, Duke was unable to swallow even

medicines and died on the 3rd day. Walter, my other

MONDAY, JANUARY 19, 1959

Martha Nichols Birthday, [d.] Jan 1961 was 83 yrs old.

brother who wasn’t two years old too was desperately ill and i too, knew no one, but when we got better, I well remember the terrible loss and sadness in our home. Papa’s grief was terrible for Duke was named for his father Dr. Duke Piercy and the only one of us four children, who had grey eyes, like Papa – who was 6 feet tall black hair and a man of dignity and good manners. He had been raised that way and was always a gentleman with grand honor, for I knew I could depend on him for honesty and the right things of life. Mamma was 5ft 5 inches, light complexion, light brown hair and eyes of the same color. She had wonderful teeth. She was good in every sense of the word. She had a heart of gold, always ready to help where ever or when ever she could, old and young alike loved her. She was happy and jovial, very industrious. My father’s mother loved her very much and depended on her for so many things. Grandma was just one of our family, she was treated

TUESDAY, JANUARY 20, 1959

with highest regard and respect, for well I remember we were all taught respect for our elders and each other. My father instructed my brothers to treat me as a lady a should be and I was to act like a lady at all times. My father had high regard for womanhood and always, he was kind and treated his own mother with highest respect. I am proud of my parents for their honor and their teaching me from earliest childhood that God was the greatest of all and God was love – and I must do

God's way to reach the life provided for us when we depart this worldly state.

Grandma had the best education college could provide in her day as did her brother and sister and another relative they often spoke of, Dr. J. D. Hinds, who went to Europe to finish his education he was an M. D. but had a right limp. He formally taught chemistry at U. T. Knoxville. Many medical students told me when I was in training to be a graduate nurse, Dr. Hinds knew more chemistry in an hour then they could learn in a life time.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 21, 1959

He [Dr. Josiah Hinds] wrote books on chemistry, too. When I was a young girl, he wrote the Sunday School lesson for the Presbyterian Sunday Schools. He wrote a Hinds Diary, I've never seen, but would love to read. I've been told it was in Cossett Library in Memphis, Tenn. I've always meant to find out.



Sam Woodbury, who was reared here, by us in Munford, said there was a plaque in UT at Knoxville, for Dr. J.D. Hinds. Any way glad to have relatives who were Godly, rather than worshipping the material things of this world for the material things fade away. But God is always from everlasting to everlasting.

The place on Mill Branch Road is north of Raines Ave. and

South of Brooks Ave. We then turned left on Brooks back to 51 Highway, we then drove back to the place my parents lived many years until they died which was on Mallory Ave near Dunn [according to death certificates and city directories it was at Mallory Ave and Perry Rd], it too had been changed the house was the same with the same

THURSDAY, JANUARY 22, 1959

roof – but houses were built all around then only a small front yard with a black young tree looked the same. The roof was put on more than 30 years ago, by my brother Bill.

The house on the corner which is on corner of Dunn and Mallory, Mamma and Papa gave Bill and family the lot to build on when they hadn't been married very long. It is still there and that's where Papa passed away after being ill for a long time of senility and old age combined. Bill and his family live at 2715 Byrd at present. We got back home after this trip about 5 pm.

So down through the ages of time, when we go back to the things, that use to be, most times, we find drastic changes have been made for all of the neighborhood of White Haven and Raines is a new place filled with homes and people. Only a few still remain. I noted Mr. Jim Hale's home, the Farrow home, Ford N Taylor place, J.C. Harkin, Graceland the home of Elvis Presley owned by Grace Toofwas in my day, occupied by Mr. Simmon who was deaf bought calves and sold them for a living. And, he had an unmarried daughter I remember well, Miss. Goldie.

Dr. E. R. Nichols Family

her children. They never lived together again.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 23, 1959

Things I heard about your dad's family, your Grandmother Nichols was Margaret Brown and married your grandfather, W. H. Nichols. Your grandmother called him Billy. Her father Brown [John Brown] gave each of his children some money when they married. Then your grandmother gave Billy her money to use and she told me a number of times, Billy could always make money. He acquired land in Obion County and a farm near Kenton, Tenn. where he built a big two story home for his family. His youngest brother Joe, told me that Billy selected all the lumber that went into his home. He had a saw mill to make lumber near Reeves, Tenn. near the Obion bottom, where he owned around 1,000 acres of timber.

Alfred, the oldest son, married Hetty Fulghum who lived near Humbolt, Tenn. She had a sister [Fannie] who married Penn Stubblefield, who lived in Obion. Alfred and Hetty had several children, Edna Earl, who was about one year younger than I am, Dave, Harry, Elmer and Martha Thelma. Will too married and separated early

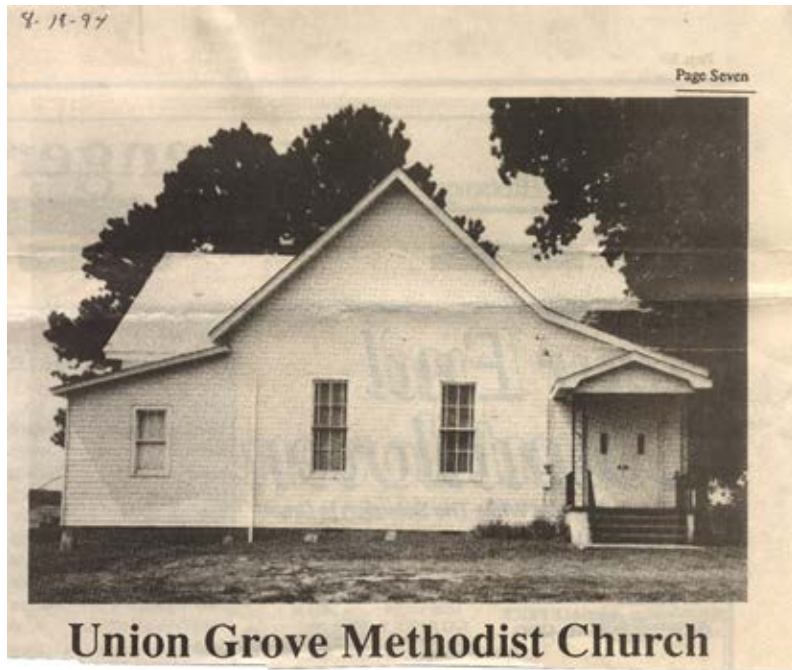
SATURDAY, JANUARY 24, 1959

in their marriage. They had one daughter who we last heard of in Calif. Will later married and was very happy. Another daughter on last report lives in Georgia. Will died many years ago.

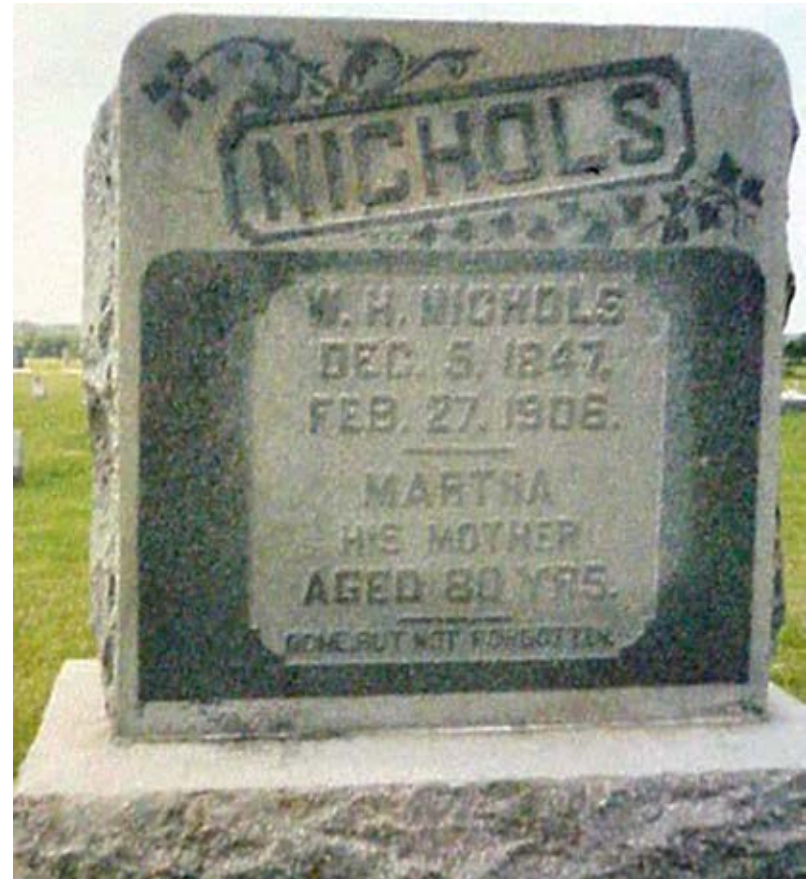
Alfred left Hetty, who wasn't well and later had a 20 lbs tumor removed from abdomen. His family stood by her and







*Union Grove Methodist Church Kenton, Obion County, TN
The cemetery is behind the church. Martha and William Henry are
buried here.*



DATE OF MARRIAGE.
Jan 26 1971

BY WHOM MARRIED.
J. P. Nichols & J. P. Nichols

WHEN RETURNED.
May 6 1971

State of Tennessee,)
OBION COUNTY:)
THAT W. H. H. Nichols and J. P. Nichols
of the County of Obion and State of Tennessee, are held and firmly bound to the State of Tennessee, in the sum of Twelve Hundred and Fifty Dollars, to which payment, well and truly to be made, we bind ourselves, our heirs, executors and administrators, and every one of us, jointly and severally, by these presents.
Witness our hands and seals, this 26 day of January 1971

THE CONDITION OF THE ABOVE OBLIGATION IS SUCH, THAT whereas the above bounden W. H. H. Nichols has this day prayed and obtained a license to marry and for which license he desired, then this obligation to be paid, otherwise to remain in full force and virtue in law.

Attest:
J. P. Nichols
J. P. Nichols

By
J. P. Nichols
J. P. Nichols

D. C.

NAME OF SOLDIER: Nicholas, William H.

NAME OF SURVIVOR: Widow, Nicholas, Martha J.

SERVICE: M. 1st Regt. Co. 1st

DATE OF FILING: 10/24/22

CLASS: Invalid.

APPLICATION NO. 424,284

CERTIFICATE NO. 280,107

STATE FROM WHICH FILED: Mo.

ATTORNEY: J. P. Nichols

REMARKS: 10/24/22

Minor.

Marriage license for John Alfred Nichols and Hettie Daisy Fulghum

Know all Men, That we, J. A. Nichols

of the County of Gibson, and State of Tennessee, are held and firmly bound unto the State of Tennessee, in the sum of TWELVE HUNDRED AND FIFTY DOLLARS, to which payment, well and truly to be made, we bind our heirs, executors and administrators, and each and every one of us and them, both jointly and severally, firmly by these presents.

The Condition of the above Obligation is such, That whereas J. A. Nichols hath procured and obtained a License to marry H. D. Fulghum

NOW, if there shall not hereafter appear any lawful cause why the said J. A. Nichols and H. D. Fulghum should not be joined together in Holy Matrimony as Husband and Wife, then this obligation to be void and of no effect; otherwise to remain in full force and virtue.

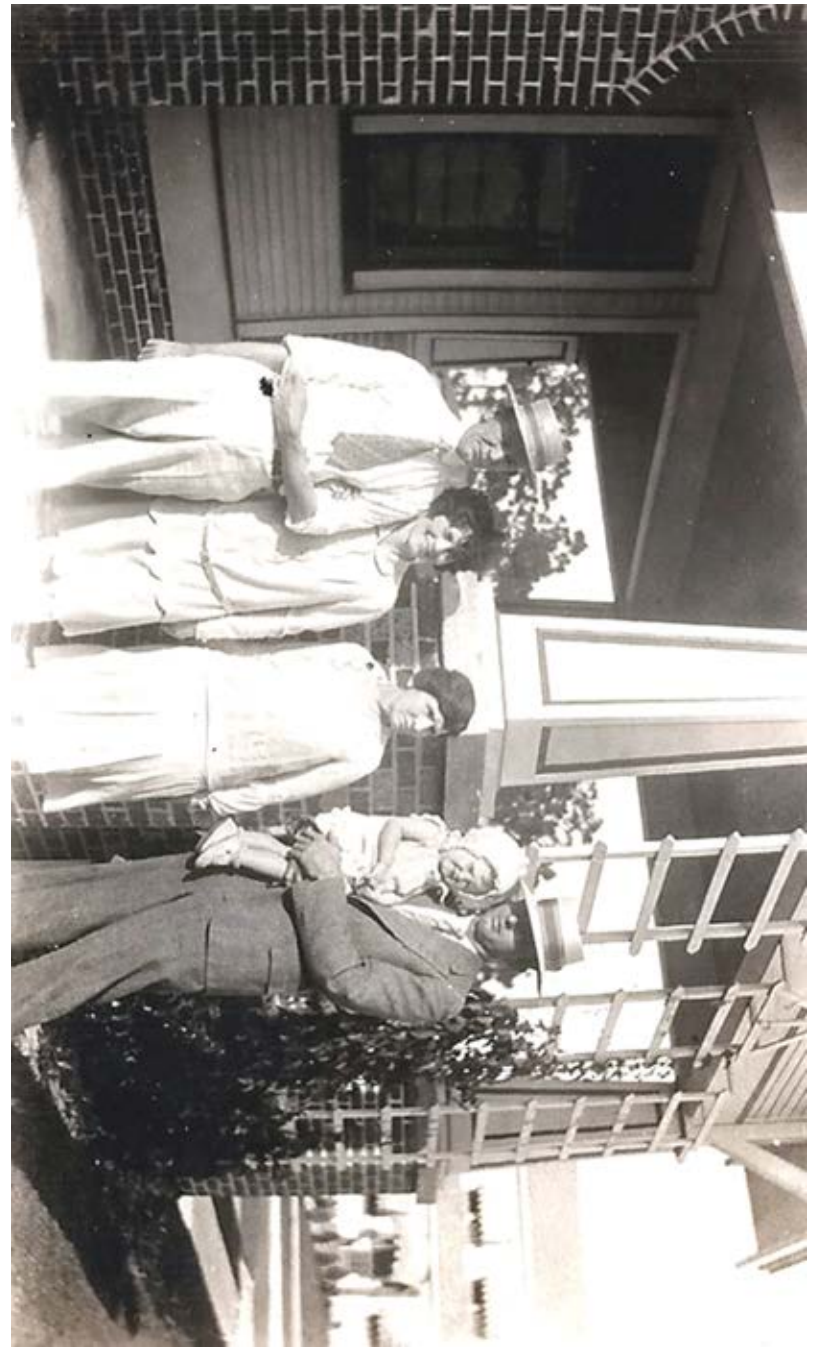
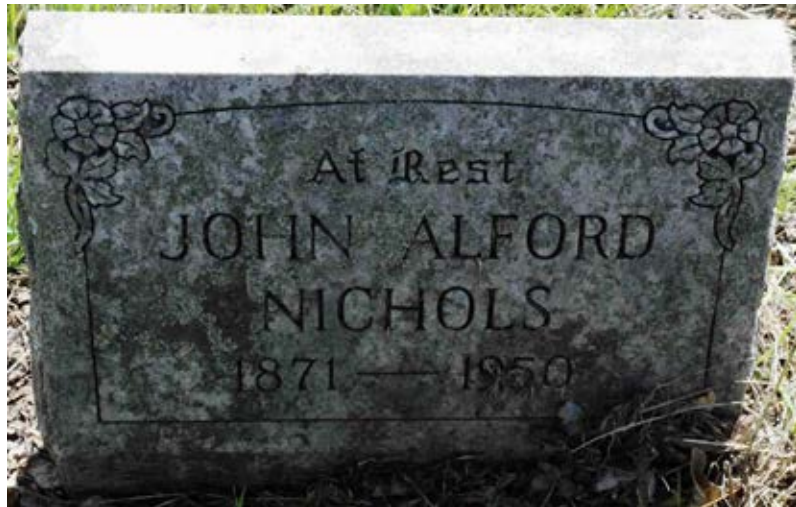
Witness our hands and seals, the 20 day of May 1930

J. A. Nichols (SEAL)
H. D. Fulghum (SEAL)

Death Certificate for John Alfred Nichols

NOTE THE INFORMATION CALLED FOR ON THE REVERSE SIDE

1. NAME OF DECEASED <u>John Alfred Nichols</u>		2. SEX <u>Male</u>		3. COLOR OF SKIN <u>White</u>		4. DATE OF BIRTH <u>Feb. 11, 1930</u>		5. PLACE OF BIRTH <u>Central Kentucky</u>	
6. PLACE OF DEATH <u>1014 Lathrop Street</u>		7. CAUSE OF DEATH <u>Heart failure</u>		8. DATE OF DEATH <u>Feb. 11, 1930</u>		9. TIME OF DEATH <u>10:00 AM</u>		10. PLACE OF DEATH <u>1014 Lathrop Street</u>	
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*Hetie Daisy Fulghum Nichols and daughter, Edna or Thelma.
Picture from William Herrel Wilson's collection.*





*Hettie Daisy Fulghum Nichols, Betty Jean and Edna Earle (Elmer Nichols' children)
Picture from William Herrel Wilson's collection.*



Edna Earle Nichols Cunningham and her mother, Hettie Daisy Fulghum Nichols. Picture from William Herrel Wilson's collection.



*George Cunningham and Edna Nichols Cunningham
Picture from William Herrel Wilson's collection.*



*Edna Nichols Cunningham
Picture from William Herrel Wilson's collection.*



George C Cunningham 1882 - 1933 & Edna Nichols
Cunningham 1894-1928
Clearwater Municipal Cemetery , Clearwater, Pinellas County,
Florida



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COUNTY Genesee DOCKET No. 17835

DIVORCE RECORD

Name of each Dade Nichols Age 33
Inez Nichols Age 33

State or Country in which married Flint, Michigan Date Aug. 15, 1924

Date of Filing Petition Mar. 5, 1929 Who was Libellant Husband

WRITE PLAINLY—USE INK—READ INSTRUCTIONS ON BACK
 File this Record with the
 Division of Vital Statistics,
 Tennessee State Department of Public Health,
 Nashville, Tennessee.



1. Place of Birth _____
 County or Union TENNESSEE STATE DEPARTMENT
 Civil District _____ OF PUBLIC HEALTH
 Town or City Union City Street No. _____
 (If birth occurred in hospital or institution, give its NAME)
 2. Full Name of Child DADE NICHOLS 242
 3. Date of Birth FEBRUARY 12th 1901 4. Sex MALE 5. Color WHITE
 6. Father's Name ALFRED NICHOLS 9. Full Maiden Name HETTIE FALGNUM
 7. Residence (At time of this birth) Union City 10. Residence (At time of this birth) Union City
 8. Birth Place (State or Country) TENNESSEE 11. Birth Place (State or Country) TENNESSEE

CERTIFICATE OF ATTENDANT AT BIRTH
 Present Address _____ M. D. _____
 Date Signed _____ June 10, 1939
 Filed _____

REMARKS: (For Use of Office of Vital Statistics Only)
 Confirmed by _____
 Affidavit of _____
 Records of _____
 By _____

Affidavits on reverse side must be completed.

Form 141-4-28-30-0000

To the Honorable Secretary of State of Michigan:
 Return of Marriages in the County of _____ CENSUS

Report Number.	Date of License.			Full Name of Bridegroom and Bride, and Maiden Name of Bride, if a Widow.	Age of Bride, in Years.	Maiden Name, if different.	Residence of Each.	Birthplace of Each.	Occupation of Each.	Name of Father of Each.
	Month.	Day.	Year							
7676	AUG.	15	1924	Dade Nichols	25	F.	Flint, Mich.	Tennessee	Laborer	Alfred Nichols
				Inez Eveline Stone	20	W.	Flint, Mich.	Michigan	Waitress	Willie Stone
				(Stone)						

For the Quarter Ending September 30th

A. D. 1924.

Maiden Name of Mother of Each.	Time Previously Married.	Date of Marriage.		Place of Marriage.	Name and Official Station of Person by Whom Married.	WITNESSES TO MARRIAGE	
		Month.	Day.			Name.	Residence.
Hettie Falgnum	No	AUG. 15	1924	Flint, Mich.	Walter R. Fultz Pastor Court St.	Mrs. Christ Niswander Potoskey,	Flint, Mich.
Corey Ward	One						

REGISTRARS REPORT

DESCRIPTION OF REGISTRANT										
HEIGHT				BUILD				COLOR OF EYES		COLOR OF HAIR
TALL	Middlem	Short		Slim	Medium	Small				
21	☐	☒	☐	☐	☒	☐	☐	27	☐	☒
28 Has person lost arm, leg, hand, eye or is he obviously physically disqualified? (Specify.)										
No.										

I certify that my answers are true; that the person registered has read or has been told the contents of this report and that all of his answers are true, except as follows:

Margaret, married

...Walter J Nichols
b. 1892
d. Unknown

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Junius Liles they live in Florence and have three sons –

Martha Nichols, who was just younger than Walter, never married. She graduated as a nurse at Nashville City Hospital and was later head nurse of Vanderbilt and City Hospital there. She was always a most unselfish person, gave to her family, any time, they were in need. Her sister Effie, she devoted her life, gave her furniture, clothes, money, kept a maid for her and wanted to her always have the best. Finally many years ago when the S. M. Harrison family, who first lived in Trenton, Tenn. where Effie's brother Walter was a lawyer and was once postmaster of Trenton - Later in 1929, there was a depression. Walter Nichols and many others who had property went broke. Walter went to Florida to sell real estate. There was a boom there, Effie and her family went to Florida too.

Ross Nichols, who was always around his home, married Gertrude Sinclair, sister of Florence Nichols in 1917. Three daughters were born, Evelyn Marie 1918, Martha and Virginia.

Obituary for Dade E. Nichols

NICHOLS, DADE E., 90, of Dunedin, died Wednesday (July 31, 1991) at home. He was born in Union City, Tenn., and came here in 1984 from Zephyrhills. He was an automotive assembler and worked for General Motors. He was a Protestant.

Survivors include his wife, Florence; two nephews, Harold Lamphier, Clearwater, and George Hurst, Palm Harbor; and two nieces, Carol Eychas, Palm Harbor, and Sue Vaughn, Michigan. Moss-Feaster Funeral Homes, Dunedin Chapel.

St. Petersburg Times (FL) - Friday, August 2, 1991

Dade was born on February 12, 1901 in Union City, Obion County, Tennessee. He passed away on July 31, 1991 at the age of 90 in Dunedin, Pinellas County, Florida. He is buried at Chapel Hill Gardens in Dade City, Pasco County, Florida.





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Ross too, went broke and several farms and other property was sold for maybe 1/2 its value so Ross and family too went to Clear Water, Fla. to live.

Alvie Nichols was given a farm when he was 21 years old from his father's estate. He was the youngest, then in 1929, Alvie sold his farm and went with his wife Louise and sons, Wm Harris and Clyde, to Calif. The Ross Nichols family moved back to Memphis where Ross worked with Forrest Hill Dairy until he had to retire on account of his heart condition until he died about 6 years later.



Grandmother (Mary Frances Piercy Nichols), Aunt Mat, Aunt Effie (Nichols Harrison), and Aunt Gertrude (Ross Nichols' widow)

Picture to left:

Abt. 1950

(kneeling l to r) Stevie in front of Nancy, Jim (Elbert, Jr.'s son), Nancy Carol sitting in front of Margaret (rt front). David stands



*Effie Nichols Harrison, Mary Frances Piercy Nichols,
Nancy Anne Nichols Gross, Margaret Alice Nichols
Williams, and Glenda Jeanne Howard Rice*







Goose felt better
 Easter morning
 and the girls
 made him let
 them take three
 snap shot, altho'
 he was hardly able
 to go out there in
 the yard -
 April 21, 1946.



Uncle Ross Brown and Aunt Gertrude Sinclair Nichols



William Harris Nichols

*Served in World War II
This is his high school picture. He went to school at
the Tennessee Industrial School in Nashville, TN.
The school has since been closed.*



*Uncle Ross Brown and Aunt Gertrude Sinclair Nichols
with their son-in-law, Thaddeus Roy "Jack" Wilkinson
(1913-1996)*



*Aunt Gertrude Sinclair Nichols, Ross' wife and
to Florence Sinclair Nichols who is the wife of
Walter Nichols.*



Mary Virginia Johnson



The Harrison family moved to Florence, Ala later and Effie's mother stayed part time with her and Elbert Nichols family who is your dad. Martha Nichols [Ma Nichols] later went to Florence to live. She bought a furnished home for her sister and family with a baby grand piano so that her sister could continue her piano practice. Later Ma Nichols got too old to go from place to place and she stayed with Effie. Martha kept help for her sister worked she being industrious gave much including

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herself to help take care of her mother and her sister and family —

One incident in Martha's life to show you how very unselfish she was when she was quite a young woman and head nurse at Vanderbilt Hospital in Nashville, Tenn. there was a little brown eyed boy named Jimmy, whose mother was a widow, and lived at Milan, Tenn. Jimmy had club feet, you know front of feet are back instead of right way — he went to Vanderbilt Hospital in Nashville while your Aunt Mat was head nurse, Jimmy was three, and he was operated on and for a year, every body helped Jimmy. Finally, because Mat loved him so, she decided to keep him and kept him in hospital as long as she could. She then pd her sister \$50.00 per month and she furnished Jimmy's clothes and all he needed and helped Effie in any way possible, keeping help for her, Jimmy graduated from high school and "Miss. Nichols" as he addressed Martha gave him his choice of staying on or returning to his mother who had 6 other children and he help his mother. He chose to return to his mother and moved there a few years and died of pneumonia.

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Jimmy was a sweet boy and Frances would remember he visited many times with "Miss. Nichols" and Martha was visiting us at the time. As her brother Walter stated once here, when he and I were out looking at the shrubs and flowers. There would have to be a heaven, if for no other reason that for Mat is what her family called her.

Billy, (W. H. Nichols) was a busy man. He knew how to support his family and, later in his life, lived a quieter life. He was Superintendent of Union Grove Methodist Church for about 10 years. His health wasn't too good and he passed away at 58, was buried at Union Grove out from Kenton, not far from his home and the homes of the Bruce family, who were their friends and neighbors. He had several brothers, I recall some of them, Jim, John, Joe, Tom and one of his sisters married a Wilkerson who lived near Troy, Tenn. His mother Martha Nichols made her home with him and his family

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one of her grandchildren said she smoked a clay pipe in her day. She too was buried at Union Grove. "Ma" as I knew here so very well, was Margaret Brown. She had some sisters and brothers. I'll try to think of... Susan who married a Walker Phillips, one sister to was married to a Polk, his son Polk Phillips died in 1958 in Troy Tenn., he had one daughter Lu who was likely in her 30s when she died and Nellie who was really a beautiful girl, red hair, blue eyes and beautiful complexion. She married a road contractor and last report she was alive. Uncle Ross Brown we knew so well, with his wife Aunt Mary was her youngest brother. He had 6 daughters, Anne who married Joe Joyner, had two children; then Beulah, Jane, Lee Mary



and Bonnie. Five of these lived in Memphis now (one lives in Detroit, Mich.) and I've told Uncle Ross and Aunt Mary no one could raise a finer family than they did. I can recall when I first knew them, Your dad and I were

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young and only had Frances in our first visit to see them. They owned a farm with a big house, each girl with out effort (?) helped with the meals, and seems, I never ate better food in my life – actually if the meal (?) was filled with as good people as that family it would be like a heaven on earth.

Uncle Fuller Brown was Ma's first brother he was jolly and people liked to have him in their homes. Uncle Fuller was with Gen. Forrest's Cavalry. He ran away at less than 15 years and joined Gen. Forrest's Cavalry during the Civils War days.

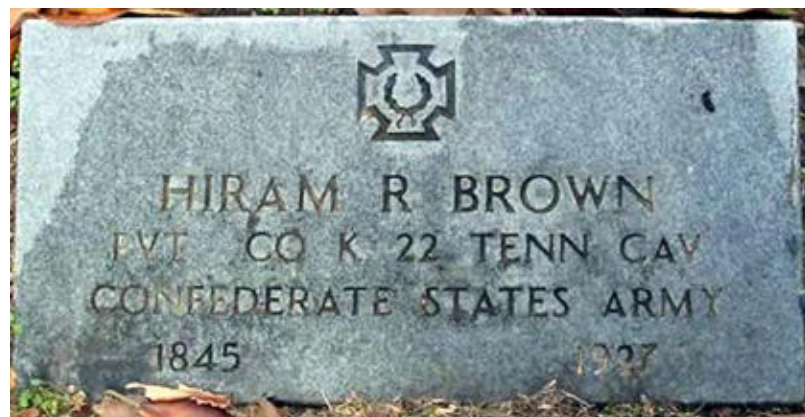
Aunt Addie [Mary Adaline Brown] was another one of Ma's sisters and in our early marriage when Ma visited us we would take her to see Aunt Addie and her husband as I recall he dressed up to show us how he looked in his Civil War Confederate Uniform. I believe I remember now his name was Bob Maupin [Robert T Maupin 1839-1920]. He lived out from Troy, Tenn. on a farm. Ma told us one thing she thought was just so very funny, it was when she was a girl at home, most parents were very strict on their children and her father was very strict on she and

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especially her older sisters and brothers. Her father had a desk he liked and treasured, one day he found some one had hacked it and made quite an ugly place on his desk. He called

all the children in for a real conference and asked who cut my desk. Uncle Ross spoke up and said, I did it and I don't care if I did. See he was the baby of the family. For sure he wasn't punished but Ma said if it had been one of use older ones, it would have been just too hard for us.

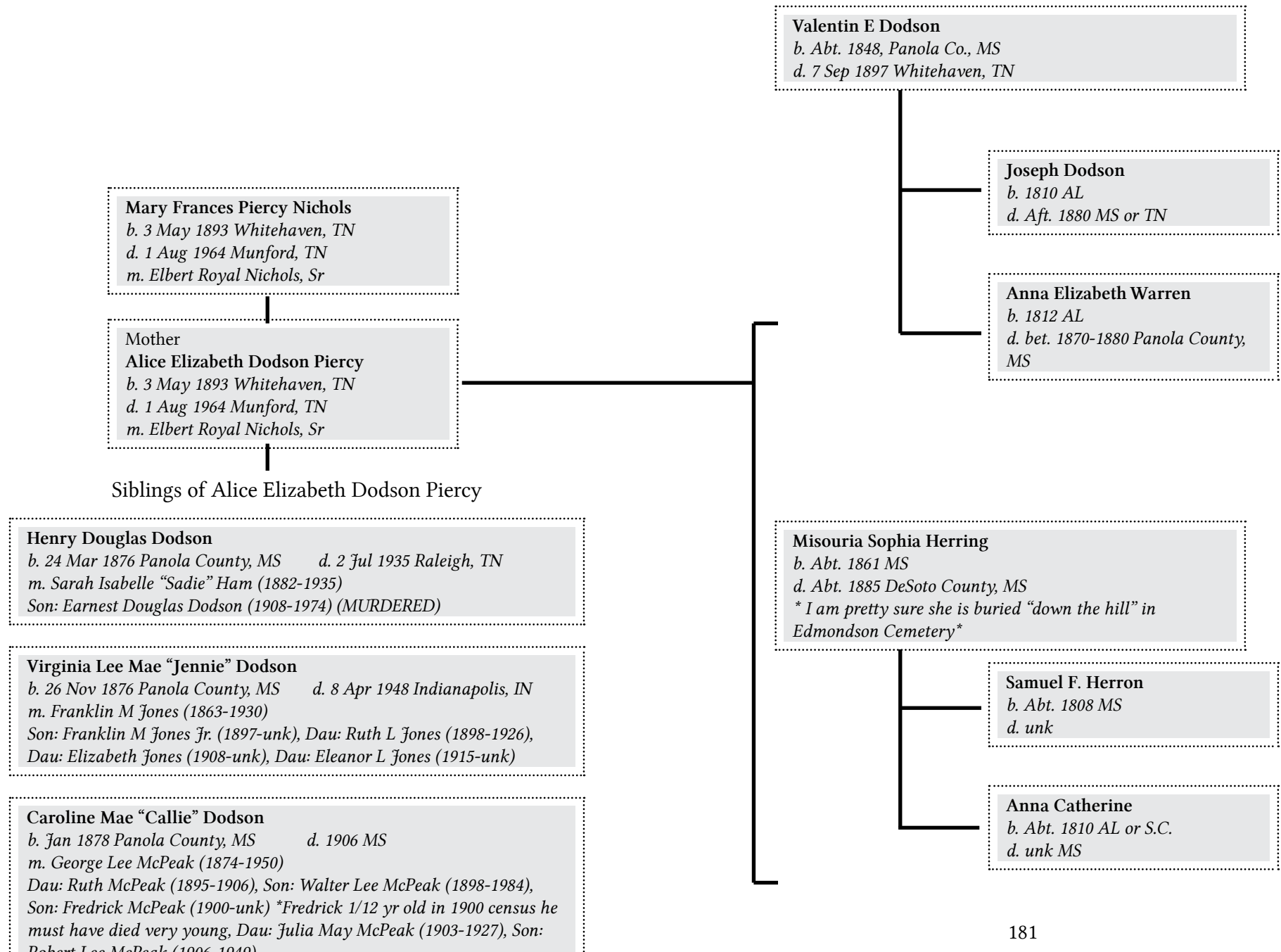
Polk Phillips, one of her sister's sons, told about a visit many years ago, when he was a boy. He went to visit "Aunt Gettie" [Margaret J "Gettie" Brown Nichols] is what she was called by her brother's and sisters and their families. Any way, Polk said he was spending the night with family and the boys that is most of them were in a big room having a good time with pillow fighting and



1 PLACE OF DEATH		STATE OF TENNESSEE	
County <u>Shelby</u>	Registration District No. <u>803</u>	STATE BOARD OF HEALTH	
Civil Dist. <u>7th</u>	Primary Registration District No. <u>22</u>	Bureau of Vital Statistics	
Village <u>Memphis</u>	City <u>Memphis</u>	CERTIFICATE OF DEATH	
2 FULL NAME <u>Hiram Reeves Brown</u>		File No. <u>42</u>	
PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS		MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH	
3 SEX <u>male</u>	4 COLOR OR RACE <u>white</u>	5 10 DATE OF DEATH <u>Jan 31 1927</u>	6 11 DATE OF BIRTH <u>Oct 3 1845</u>
7 AGE <u>81</u>	8 OCCUPATION <u>Farmer</u>	12 I HEREBY CERTIFY, That I attended deceased from <u>Feb 10 1927</u> to <u>Feb 12 1927</u>	
9 BIRTHPLACE <u>Tenn</u>	10 NAME OF FATHER <u>John Brown</u>	13 and that death occurred, on the date stated above, at <u>Memphis</u>	
11 BIRTHPLACE <u>Tenn</u>		14 The CAUSE OF DEATH was as follows: <u>catarrhal pneumonia</u>	
15 BIRTHPLACE <u>Tenn</u>		16 Contributory (incomplete) <u>senility</u>	
17 BIRTHPLACE <u>Tenn</u>		18 Signed <u>Cleveland Hays</u>	


 POLK PHILLIPS
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 WORLD WAR I
 JULY 29 1891 JUNE 24 1958

Parents and Grandparents of Alice Elizabeth Dodson Piercy



Hetty Nichols, Alfred's wife, I knew her from the beginning of my married life, all the family loved Hetty. She married Alfred about the time, Elbert, your dad had his first pants, so she know lots about the family. Paris, what they called your dad's dad. He, it seems, was strict on his children. Alvie, the youngest now humored and petted by his mother, she was 46 when he was born and its natural that people mellow and get more gentle as a rule so on this particular day. Pa was there for dinner Hettie too was there and Ma often carried a switch under the big apron she wore to the table, even to church if needed – so this day

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Alvie started to cry and whine at the table. Pa told him to go into the kitchen, which he did and suddenly a most terrible scream came from Alvie in the kitchen, Hetty could hardly tell it for laughing as the answer came from the cook, that Alvie stuck his nose in the boiling tea kettle. Hetty said Pa allowed no laughing for even that but she and most the others soon finished their meal so they could get away and laugh all they wanted to.

Dr. Elbert Royal Nichols, Sr.

Elbert, your dad, was really the problem of the family, from all the stories told by his own mother, brothers, sisters and other relatives. He was what you would term a dandy. Seems from the things told on him, he enjoyed teasing others, exploring places and doing things he wasn't supposed to, yet they said he was still kind but he just didn't want to be fenced in. One day when he was quite a small boy, his sister

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Martha and brother Alfred's wife, Hetty, were left in charge of Elbert to be watched and see to it he did not slip away and get into anything. They had a big two story house and they decided as Ma had gone off to visit a neighbor. They would put a pallet at the foot of the stairs that way he wouldn't go up the stairway and they would sure watch him. It was summer and they all laid down on the pallet with Elbert in the middle – not knowing – they both went to sleep and when they did rouse, Elbert was gone —

Of course, at once they began to search and call him, Pa, his dad came home and I think Ma too, well, they were just frantic. they had two large ponds so Pa thought next thing to do was to seme (?) or drag the ponds, for no where was there any sign of Elbert and he was a small boy. Someone just happened to peep into the hen house and there was the innocent little boy, Elbert, laying there fast asleep with him two

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baby chickens, one in each hand which made all of them happy.

He liked cats and his mother disliked cats. So around the big farm, quite a few cats had accumulated. Alvie was starting his first year of school and Ma decided to go visiting for the day and take those pesty cats off before Elbert got home. They had to pass Oak Grove school so Alvie saw his mother pass by driving a buggy so Alvie started following his mother down the road. She didn't, of course, know so she drove on a bit farther and dropped all the cats out of the bag by Grassy Crick. It was recess at school and Elbert saw his baby brother going down the road and he too started after him. Alvie got as

far as Grassy Crick and when Elbert reached him, there were all “his” cats. So he persuaded Alvie to help him get them back to school and put them in clock closet and I recall ma telling me, after she got home and everybody busy with supper and other chores, they realized Elbert was late. Finally, he got home and she asked him why he was late. He replied, you think you were smart, took

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my cats off while I was gone, so I took some of the cats to Mrs. Grissom and other neighbors where they will have good homes and no body will drop them off to starve.

His brother Alfred told me once when he was on Mississippi Ave, where we lived in Memphis, Alfred was older with white hair and dark eyes and enjoyed having a good time. he said his father, Pa, is what they all called him, had a big lot of stock, sheep, hogs, horses and mules, so one day he happened to go down to the stock barn, found the sliding doors closed and he listened as he heard what seemed to be a wild stir of horses, mules and other broken stock. So he just peeped in and he just couldn't believe his eyes for there was Elbert on a young unbroken animal, had never been ridden. The stock was going round and round biting, kicking and it was just a rampage for they were shut up and couldn't get out. He saw Elbert holding on for dear life and crying his eyes out just

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plan scared almost to death, Alfred told me, he figured, if he could slide the door wide enough open and let one at a time pass out, then if Elbert could hold on, he might save him from falling off or getting trampled to death, so he opened the



Elbert Royal Nichols, Sr., at boarding school.

door. And, one my one the stock came out and he motioned Elbert to grab his neck as he passed by. He did, and Alfred felt he had truly saved his young brother's life, and was very grateful.

Elbert had many narrow escapes from what the family told me about him. Once Ross, his brother near his age, and your dad and all the family loved him (?). Ma said, Ross, Elbert has been so bad, grant you to get him in the well house and I'll come in and give him a whipping. Ross, some how got him in the well house, and his mother came in with a switch. Every time she hit with the switch, Elbert would turn and his brother would be in line for the lick of the switch. Finally, Ross said Ma you are whipping me not Elbert so he didn't get the whipping. Both his mother and Ross told me of this episode. They laughed about it.

Mary Frances Piercy Nichols

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 1959

Mary Frances Piercy Nichols' Family — My father was Wm Thomas Piercy and he married my mother Alice Elizabeth Dodson, April 25, 1892. I was born May 3, 1893 at White Haven, Tenn., my brothers (Bill) William Piercy was born January 8, 1895, Duke Piercy was born Sept. 18, 1896, Walter Fletcher Piercy was born Dec. 23, 1898. Duke died of scarlet fever on Oct. 4, 1901. My father's father was born May 14, 1822, he was a doctor and his name was Dr. Duke Piercy. My father's mother, Frances Elizabeth Hinds, was born Aug 27, 1827. I know nothing of my grandfather Piercy's family. My grandmother Piercy was born near Hernando, [MS] her father was Dr. Josiah Hinds. I'll check at the church and cemetery which has the dates and later write it in this space ———.

My great grandmother Hinds, I'll check for the date also ———.

I've already told of the others in the family. Now as to my mother's family. She was born Alice Elizabeth Dodson, in Mississippi, her father

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first name I don't know, her mother was Sophia Herring before her marriage, both were buried in Edmondson Cemetery on Miss – Tenn state line East of 51 Hi-way – past White Haven. Both of my parents were also buried there.

My mother had an uncle, Tom Dodson, that I knew as a very young child. I knew several of his children some of who were older and some younger than my mother. She was very fond of her cousin Frank Dodson and his wife Bessie. He owned a number of houses. He rented out and a store right at the Frisco railroad bridge on Airways. He had 3 children, 2 girls and a son.

My mother [Alice Elizabeth Dodson Piercy] spoke of her grandfather Dodson [Valentine T] who helped rescue a bride, that the Indians had captured, when he went with her husband to search for her. The Indians had her getting wood to burn herself at stake. My mother's grandfather offered beads and other attractive things of what kind for the bride's ransom. It was accepted and the bride was released and returned to her home.

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My brother Bill Piercy [William Henry Piercy, Sr., m. Willie Alma McOwen], you well know, his children are Annie Mae

Johnston [1922-2004], W. H. Piercy Jr. [1926-1973], Mary Ruth Turnpin [1929-2011], all married, Edd [b. 1932], Jeane [Norma Jean, 1935-1993] and Alice Piercy [1936-2008], the last was named for grandmother Piercy. [Martha Lee was also a sibling 1924-1929]

Bill was always a good brother and a very kind and thoughtful son. He always meant lots to me. Walter, of course we loved, he was sweet and one of the prettiest babys I ever saw. He grew up to be 6 feet tall like my Papa. Bill was shorter and leaner. One other person who meant lots was her mother's brother's wife, Aunt Lizzie Herring and her family. Walter and Ida, who married. We always called him Cousin Lewis Martin, their oldest son. Chester is my age and still is living. He has been connected with 1st National Bank in Memphis since he was a very young man. Arthur, another of his brothers, died during the bad flu epidemic in Memphis. His younger brothers, I lost sight of, but Mama loved her cousin Walter Herring and named my brother Walter for him.

Family of Elbert Royal Nichols, Jr.

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Elbert R Nichols Family

Elbert R Nichols born Oct 20, 1889, Obion County, Kenton, Tenn. His father was W. H. Nichols [William Henry], born in East Tenn. died at age of 58, when Elbert was about 15 yrs old. W. H. Nichols married Margaret Brown (near Troy, Tenn.), and to the union 11 children were born.

1. Alfred Nichols about 1872, died about 1950 [1871-1950]

1. PLACE OF BIRTH County <i>Shelby</i>		2. FULL NAME <i>Miss Martha Nichols</i>		3. SEX <i>Female</i>		4. DATE OF BIRTH (month, day, and year) <i>1872</i>		5. SINGLE, MARRIED, WIDOWED <i>Widowed</i>		6. DATE OF DEATH (month, day, and year) <i>1944</i>		7. AGE <i>72</i>		8. TIME OF DEATH (month, day, and year) <i>5 P.M.</i>		9. PLACE OF DEATH (city or town where death occurred) <i>Memphis, Tenn.</i>		10. CAUSE OF DEATH (month, day, and year) <i>Typhoid fever</i>		11. TIME OF DEATH (month, day, and year) <i>1944</i>		12. PLACE OF DEATH (city or town where death occurred) <i>Memphis, Tenn.</i>		13. TIME OF DEATH (month, day, and year) <i>1944</i>		14. TIME OF DEATH (month, day, and year) <i>1944</i>		15. TIME OF DEATH (month, day, and year) <i>1944</i>		16. TIME OF DEATH (month, day, and year) <i>1944</i>		17. TIME OF DEATH (month, day, and year) <i>1944</i>		18. TIME OF DEATH (month, day, and year) <i>1944</i>		19. TIME OF DEATH (month, day, and year) <i>1944</i>		20. 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2. Will Nichols died about 1944 [William Thomas 1867-1964]
3. Ida who died at 17 yrs of typhoid fever [abt 1879]
4. another young child 2 yrs died [Odis 1883-1884]
5. Walter Nichols about 13 years older than Elbert, he was a lawyer and died about 1954 in Clearwater Florida [1873-1954]
6. Miss Martha Nichols 15 months younger than Walter at present lives in Florence, Ala [Martha Jane "Mattie" 1876-1959]

7. Ora Nichols who died from operation about 42 yrs ago in Denver, Colo. was buried at Kenton, Tenn. Union Grove Cemetery [1885-1916]
8. Effie Nichols who is now 71 this April 1959 married Sam Harrison both lived at Kenton and are now in Florence Ala. They have 2 children Walter Nichols Harrison and Margaret Brown Harrison who is married to Junius Liles. They now have 3 sons. Walter has four children and both live in Florence Ala. his wife's first name is Maurine and very lovable. [1887-1962]
9. Elbert R Nichols, married Mary Frances Piercy. Six children were born to this union.
 - 9a. Mary Frances Nichols July 26, 1914 in Memphis, married Lake (J.T.) Howard [John Timberlake] who too was born July 1st 1914. They were married Aug 16, 1935. They have one daughter, Glenda Jeane Howard, born Jan 7 – 1942 (Lake & Frances graduated together at South Side High School)

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Walter Piercy Nichols 39 today.

- 9b. Elbert R. Nichols, Jr. born March 16, 1918 at Troy, Tennessee. He graduated South Side High School Memphis. His first marriage was to Virginia via there was one son, Jerry Lynn Nichols, his next marriage after divorce was to Ladye Frances heath of Rector Ark – Oct 31, 1945, just after Elbert Jr. was discharged from World War service of War II, he was with Gen. Patton's Army and returned home from

Germany, Near Hitler's Hideout.

(This is supposed to have followed Elbert Jr's record of his four children following his 2nd marriage Marilyn Ann, Feb 22, 1947, Nancy Carol, Feb 1951, James Elbert, Mar 29, 1953, Janet Leigh April 18, 1954.)

- 9c. Walter Piercy Nichols born Feb 10, 1920, at Bradford, Tenn., was married to Dorothy Moore in May 1940 – both graduated at Munford High School. To this union three sons were born: David Elbert, Nov 25, 1941, Richard Steven, July 11, 1945, St. Vincent Hosp. Indianapolis, Ind., Walter Byron Nichols, Nov 4, 1953, his grandad and I afferated (?) at his birth. [His grandparents delivered him]

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- 9d. Richard Thomas Nichols 3rd son of Elbert and Mary Nichols, born Dec. 7, 1923, at Bradford, Tenn. was married to Helen Bomar at Munford Methodist Church, June 6, 1943, two children born to this union, John Richard Nichols April 21 1947, with his granddad and I present at his birth. Laura Lee, Jan 17, 1951.
- 9e. Margaret Alice Nichols, born Dec 22, 1934 at Methodist Hosp. Named for her two grandmothers – Alice for grandmother Alice Piercy and Margaret for grandmother Nichols. Married at Munford Methodist Church to J. T. Williams [Jim Tom] June 17, 1956.
- 9f. Nancy Anne Nichols, born Jan. 16, 1937, at home your mother was almost 44 , your dad and your sister effectuated (?) at your

birth. Married to Norris Gross, Nov. 23, 1955 at Munford Methodist Church with Rev. Humphrey Davis officiating at both yours and Margaret's wedding – you and Norris graduated at Munford, Margaret did too, Tom Williams lived in Mason and graduated at U. T. Knoxville.

10. Ross Brown Nichols [Elbert Royal Sr's brother] born 1891, Kenton, Tenn. ??? W.A.Y Margaret Nichols, Married Gertrude Sinclair 1917. Three daughters were born to this union, Evelyn, Martha and Virginia.
11. Alvie Reeves Nichols, [Elbert Royal Sr's brother] born 1894 at Kenton last of 11 children of W. H. and Margaret Nichols.

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He was married to Louise [Mary Louise Connell [1907-1952], the other name I don't remember, she was 14, two sons were born to this union, W. H. Nichols, Jr. and Clyde Nichols. Louise died many years ago and Alvie died in Memphis in 1958 and was buried in National Cemetery with Dr. W. W. Boston officiating. Dr. Boston was a cousin. His mother was a Nichols, he has 4 other brothers who are ministers.

Margaret Brown Nichols, my mother-in-law, but to me one of the best and finest of women. She lived to the ripe age of 92 and was buried in Florence, Ala., where her daughter, Martha, and Effie still live there.

A tribute of highest regard I pay her for to me she was always a friend, always had understanding, she was jolly and lots of fun too. She was always anxious for me to learn something of interest and had jest to it and I'd tell it to her to see her laugh.

She was good and she and my mother, were good friends. Ma Nichols lived with us part time in Memphis and later I'll tell you more of Ma and me(?).

Daily Activities

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 1959

Nancy Carol Nichols 8 years old today.

Today, I started to write the very first words of this book and so it was when I prayed, as I always do, at the breakfast hour, giving thanks and asking for health and guidance too, from Him and all the family and others too, are included in the prayer. And, now, I ask He guide me to try to write the things I should – hoping you will enjoy the things I try to say to you, today, is a dark and really wet, rainy day. We are all very well no one even has a cold in the family.

Richard went to work, as you know he is now Tenn. Employment Manager and works in Memphis. Walter is back at work at International after a strike. Tom will start to work Monday for International in their offices near Riverside Park in Memphis. So Margaret and Tom will soon move to Memphis. Elbert, Jr., Ladye, Marilyn, Nancy C, Jim, and Janet here out to show us their new 1959 Ford car. Helen had some warts removed from chest yesterday. ??? making for George Baddour, for Mrs Churn while she is ill. Dorothy and Byran are fine. David and Steven went with Margaret and Tom last night to see the ball game at Ripley.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 1959

Valentine Day, its really rained and the new pond we had made last year is now full, but about 2 feet. We hope to have it stocked with a lot of fish and enjoy it later on in the year – all the family. Well, had a valentine from Frances yesterday. Walter was 39, 10th Feb and Nancy Carol 8, 12th of Feb, Marilyn will be 12, 22nd Feb.

The rain is still falling, Dorothy came up and fixed my hair, she walked up here in the rain. Walter was working, your dad took her back home. She is a mighty fine and good person.

? night, the weather was cooler, well with the dampness and chill, my ole arthritis really loves me and if I stay warm and in dry room, it sure doesn't hurt as much. Richard and Johnny came for a while about 5pm and Richard asked me to go with to Mrs. John Bomar's [Myrtle Bomar] and eat with he and the children and her. I would have but I had just had supper and really full to the brim. Richard is so good and thoughtful, has also been a good boy. He loves people and never wants to hurt any one.

Another Visit to Hinds Chapel

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 1959

This day we went to Hinds Chapel near Horn Lake, when I say we, I mean your Dad and I, we left about 12 o'clock (noon) went through Memphis from Bellvue on 51 to Bull Frog Stop that you west if you want to go to Horn Lake, then we drove on down 52 to next crossroad. There was a store on left and deep well was written outside. We turned right off of 51 going west, followed a gravel road that past Bethlehem Presbyterian Church with a cemetery on past there, with markers we turned left and right up on hill was Hinds

Cemetery and Church.

Speaking of roads, back in my childhood, the 51 highway, was known as Hernando Road and had some gravel on it, when you reached what is still, Miss. Ave, it was bricked in those days and I can still hear the horses' hoofs as they went over the brick streets. The times I can remember as we turned off of Brooks onto Hernando Rd and then come to Nonconnah Creek, so many times they were trying to repair the wooden bridge over it and Papa would drive down

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the bank and ford it. I was so scared of water. They would lead me across on some planks, I had a horror of turning over in that swift running water, Hernando Rd was left off from Miss Ave on South past Perry's store, to the East is now 51 hwy. Coming from Bellvue – Nonconnah bottoms was long watery and full of trees. It was in the Civil War days my grandmother Piercy would get in a wagon with a negro to drive and go to Memphis for supplies. It was where nurses are begins or did begin in those days at Kerr Ave. That the Yankees had pickets to search everyone, some items as quinine was not allowed, my grandmother's husband, Dr. Piercy [Duke Piercy] and her brother Dr. Joe Hinds had gone to War. Grandma with her three children lived with her father, Dr. Josiah Hinds, he had an office out in the yard, people here dying of malaria and they couldn't get quinine, so when Grandma came to Memphis from near Hernando, Miss, she wore hoop skirts and in the folds of those whoop skirts she would hide quinine. One day she told of being over

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taken in Nonconnah bottoms and she said her heart stood in her mouth almost with fear of being found with an unusual amount of quinine that day but that wasn't what they wanted. They had over looked some technical form – what a relief for the quinine could save a lot of lives of the people who were either old or young who had been left home. Her father was the only doctor around, he was too old to go to war. Another incident my grandmother, or maybe papa, told me was once, some neighbor shot a Yankee close to their home and my grandmother said her father felt he had better give him the best care possible and he told Grandma Frances with your help we'll do our best. He put the Yankee in the office in front yard and Grandma carried him feed and they helped him to get well. They felt if he should die the Yankees might come and burn them out.

Grandma said her sister, 20 years younger than her, Mary Hinds, and Grandma's daughter, Mary Frances Piercy [William Thomas' sister],

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both could sing and often when the Yankees came my Great Aunt Mary Hinds and my Aunt Mary Piercy would sit on front porch and sing. The Yankees listened and went on. I recall serving several negroes who were slaves of my great grandfather Hinds, after I was a girl. My father told me as we would some time passing on our trips to Memphis – they still had the name Hinds, because he had been so good to them, they were fond of the family and always glad to see my father. He was a boy when the Civil War was over so they knew and remembered him as a southern gentleman, always kind, stern in the belief right was the course all should follow.

Tip Top Pioneer School in the Whitehaven Vicinity

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 1959

Appearing in the Press-Scimitar was the notice of the death of Miss Margaret (Maggie) Foster, 87 years – passed away Feb 18, 1959 at Methodist Hospital at 7 pm sister of Mrs. A. R. Tuggle at Caperville, Tenn., Services 1pm at National Funeral Home, 1pm Feb 20 Inerment in Elmwood Cemetery.

I know many remember "Miss Maggie" Foster. For me, I can think of her, being one of the most important people in my life. Miss. Maggie was principal of Tip Top school a pioneer school of the Whitehaven vicinity, it was really on top of a hill with trees all around and some ditches and a good place for sleds on ice in winter. So, really I was 7 years old and Bill, my brother, was 6 in Jan when we first started, making the year 1901. I would be 8 the following May. We lived about 2 miles from school and had a muddy road to go no other white children close enough for me to go before Bill, but Grandma taught me from almost babyhood, so I was ready for 3rd grade when I entered school. Our first day we stopped by Charley McPeak's house and went to school with Cassie and Edd. Miss Annie Hodgens was my first teacher and Miss Foster prinicipal. I'll tell you

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some more about Cassie and Edd. They lived about 1 mile from us. They later moved to this section of country. I remember one very funny thing about Edd. Mamma and I went up to see the McPeaks before they moved, all of a sudden we could hear a lot of bells, it was Edd with bells around his neck. His mother inquired, Edd Lee, that's what she called him, what are you doing with all those bells around your neck? Oh! he said, Mamma, now you know, you said you couldn't keep up with me so I thought I'd fix it so you could. Edd and his family now live at Brighton. Margaret Faulkner

is his daughter. Cassie is Mrs. White Horn and lives near Covington. They have another sister Mammie Hanks, Wayne's mother.

Now, back to Miss. Foster and very first great love for her. Back in those days when we had spelling at class every day, then when you reached head, you would go foot and try to come back head again. So it's me. I just must not miss one word and I didn't till one day, Miss Elizabeth Messick, Shelby County Supt. of schools and for whom a school in Memphis is named

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visited our school and as fate would have it, she offered to hear our spelling class. I was 4 or 5 down from top so every well I remember the word from the top and Miss Messick looked like she was 10 ft tall, she was tall and stately, but as a child, I was frightened because she was there and I too, missed the word, that I knew well. Miss Annie always send before school closed all who are perfect, raise your hand. I couldn't, but I remember, I put my head down on my desk and wept. I don't even remember going home, but when I returned to school the next morning, I saw I had a head mark and I told Miss Annie, I wasn't supposed to have a head mark. She said, "yes, you are". Miss Foster said she knew you knew that word and to give you a head mark. I did know the word and for Mrs. Foster to know, I knew it to gave me something that lived with me through the years. She believed and trusted me. Then the many times I heard her read the Scripture of the Bible, 13th Chapter, 21st Corinthians, which is my favorite chapter for it was she taught me what the whole chapter summed up meant one thing, now abides faith, hope and love but the greatest of these is love.

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 1959

Later on, after I got in high school Miss. Foster was my teacher again. She later taught Frances, Elbert Jr., Walter and maybe Richard at Ford N Taylor School, now known as Anne Hill, near Forrest Hill Cemetery. Bless her heart and may I sometime again (?) from her. She was a real friend with lots of understanding and love in her heart, the kind of a teacher every boy and girl needs to guide them in their early years.

Today, Feb 22, Marilyn Anne Nichols, daughter of Elbert and Ladye Frances, is 12 yrs old.

Rev. J. A. Hassell moved to the ??? street parsonage when I was quite young. He and his family meant a lot to my life. His oldest daughter, Avis, was one of my best friends through my life. She always meant a lot to me. She was and is always a trusted friend. She is Mrs. Elen Meeks and lives with one of her 3 daughters, Mary Elizabeth Meek in Memphis. Mamma and I remember well, decided to visit the parsonage and spend the day. We had a wonderful visit and after the noon meal Aude Hassell, my age, asked his sister, Avis, if she would like for us to go to see molasses made from

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sorghum made, so we said yes and we went, not knowing what a joke he would play on us two – when we got there, we saw a mule hitched to a shaft and he went round and round, that was grinding the sorghum of course to make the molasses. Several men were working, one was a widower with about 9 children. He came to our church where Bro Hassell preached. Aude without us even suspecting what he was up to went over, where the widower was driving the mule round and round and told him his sister and that other girl would love for him to come over to the buggy. We were

sitting in and talk to us. So he timidly came over and stood by the buggy where we was Avis and I sat and he grinned and he gummed and said “howdy”. Well, he didn’t know us. We said “howdy” back and Avis nudged me with her elbow and she had a way of biting her lip, when she was about to get tickled, so our faces got red and then redder.

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We then laughed and we laughed, he watched us and his face got reddened too, but now we were just about screaming with laughter, they thought of Aude telling that man, with all those children, we would like for him to talk to us. Guess he decided we didn’t want him to stay, he said guess they need me back over by the mule. We laughed till we couldn’t, then when Aude came back to take us home, we were really about ready to beat him up. He really got a bang out of it and could hardly wait to tell his family and Mamma, how we entertained that widower who brought his nine children to church on Sunday, Bro. Hassell really enjoyed the joke and threatened to tell the boys of us flirting with the widower, don’t remember what ever became of him. Guess Avis and I looked for greener pastures. But we had some happy days at school and church, Miss Nellie Tilghman was our friend. She was a few years older. She married a Hudgens, who was a widower

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with several children. Avis married too at the parsonage by her father , Rev. J. A. Hassell. She married Eber Meek.

Williford Blond, Albert Peek, Calvin and Wm Ferguson, Dewitt and Armour Lamar also George Choate were in our school. Avis had a sister Blanch, Elizabeth and Mary

Hassell in school also. We truly had wonderful, good and peaceful living in those days. Girls behaved themselves and boys respected them, for we were taught at home and it was followed up at the school. The Bible was opened every morning at school and the teacher read the scripture. We had songs like “America”, “At the Cross” and always the Lord’s prayer. Life is a short lived one here on earth and the way we live on, after this life, depends completely on how we live it here. You can fool people but you sure can’t fool God, He knows your very thoughts.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 1959

You see for each one of use who lives time catches up with you and where you were strong of body and mind, you grow weak and then the final curtain. No matter, who you are, it is the same, God doesn’t choose so as time goes on some leave and some are born – born – a wonderful word – born into the holiness of God, so that you cleans your mind of evil thinking, end words and evil deeds. When we are born into God’s spirit, He alone can cleanse our lives For we can’t be born into His spirit unless we repent, unless we turn loose of all things evil and in its place is the purifying of our sinner souls reborn compose and direct our lines completely. God is and God is always, there if we live in Him in this life. We’ll live on forever and forever in the great here after of the place Christ promised He’ll be prepared for us. Let us live on in God’s spirit, that he

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can again be united with those whom we leave behind and those who have traveled on to that great and wondrous place where there is no sorrow, no parting, but filled with purity,

goodness and love and peace sweet peace the gift of God's love, for God's love is life, it's all that is and all that can ever be – how I would, that every person knew God and had this great comfort the wonderful consolation of His care, His love, this goodness and He will ever be near of your want to give us all this and most of all, life eternal.

Remember thy Creator in the days thy youth:

Know the Lord is my Shepherd and I want need to fear anything with Him as my Shepherd. His word shall stand and He won't change. He is sure and true forevermore.

SUNDAY, MARCH 1, 1959

[cont. from Special Data (Feb 27, 1959)] At the door, I was still tickled and his face turned red and he too started laughing – he was a sweet, good Uncle Jim. He had steak, biscuit, hot coffee and other things all hot for us to eat. We got out of our wet clothes and then I can see Aunt Mary now, She too, got tickled, and we laughed and laughed. Aunt Mary was always funny.

Uncle Jim was a confederate soldier and he couldn't go with us that day. Another thing that was bad about it all, I had on I believe the prettiest hat, I ever owned in all my life – it was really a droopy affair after that, but some how the fun was worth more than the loss of the hat, for I'll never forget how that umbrella turned wrong side up it was a real show and how silly it has for the man to hit an innocent man who hadn't hit his girl, but it was just a small loose sign board that hit her. Great are the days of youth and a great aunt, who had in it, fun and was always a ray of sunshine.

The Crislers

MONDAY, MARCH 2, 1959

Josephine Crisler, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. J. A. Crisler [Joseph Augustus & Josephine Hubbard Crisler], died at Methodist Hospital. The paper stated after a long illness, age 64. [b. 19 Oct 1892 d. 2 Mar 1959] Her brother Dr. J. A. Crisler, Jr. survives, I knew them many years ago. They were a fine family and both father and son wonderful doctors. Josephine Crisler was lovely and friendly. Dr. Crisler Jr. is still living. He is younger than his sister, I was nursing when he married Elizabeth Crile, daughter of Dr. Geo Crile, a specialist, which was many years ago now. Dr. Crisler Jr. is a gentleman, a wonderful and sincere doctor and person in all he does. I remember a patient, who had a bad goiter, he worked with his father and they were specializing on goiters (which are growths in the throat region) the patient was a tenant farmer near Clarksdale, Miss and the Doctors Crislers were not charging him, they asked him if he could have a nurse for just a few days after the operation, he did and I was the nurse. They could only remove a part of the goiter due to the heart condition caused by goiter.



Dr George W



*Dr George Washington Crile Physician
Surgeon. He performed the first successful
human blood transfusion and developed
the Electrochemical Theory of Life*



*Ama Elizabeth Wright McBride
with granddaughter Elizabeth
Crile*

Josephine Crisler

MEMPHIS PRESS-SCIMITAR, TUESDAY, MARCH 3, 1959

Mrs. D. Hurd Hudson, Gifted and Beloved

Former Josephine Crisler Was Known
For Writings and Welfare Interests

One of the Mid-South's most gifted and beloved women, Mrs. D. Hurd Hudson, died at 11:05 last night at Methodist Hospital after a long illness. Mrs. Hudson, the wife of a former counsel for the Internal Revenue Service, was known for her writings, her ability and wit as a public speaker, her work in promoting various charities and welfare projects and her great capacity for friendship. She was 64.

She was the former Josephine Crisler, daughter of the late Dr. Joseph A. Crisler Sr., founder of the Crisler Clinic in Memphis, and Mrs. Crisler.

Prolific Writer

Mrs. Hudson, under her maiden name, had written innumerable articles and short stories and poems, many of which were published in such national magazines as the Saturday Evening Post and Readers Digest. One little book of her poems, published in 1935, is treasured by many friends and others who were fortunate enough to discover it.

Friends say a quotation from one of these poems, titled "To My Son," expresses her way of life:

To think and work, to laugh
and love
To know where pitfalls lie,
To live superbly and indeed
If need be, so to die.

Her last published article appeared in Guideposts magazine and is being reprinted during Lent by a syndicate of 75 Mid-Western newspapers. She also composed a number of songs and marches.

The Crisler Law

One of her most important contributions to the welfare of the state was perhaps the writing of the bill known as the Crisler Law, which created Tennessee's first public commission for the blind. She subsequently served as a member of that commission.

She had served as principal speaker at several insurance conventions and was named an honorary member of both the local and national underwriters associations.

One of the founders and a life member of Memphis Little Theater, she served as its president 1932-35 and is credited with helping to restore it to a solid financial position.

Her first husband was the late Col. Edward John McCormack, whom she married during World War I.

At the time of his death in



MRS. D. HURD HUDSON

1948, he was staff director of the U. S. House of Representatives Civil Service and Post Office Committee.

Earlier they had built the first home in Chickasaw Gardens and also for many years maintained a summer home, the stately Duntreath Manor at Forest Hill.

From 1936-40 Mrs. Hudson was a radio and platform speaker for the National Democratic Committee.

Her Family

In 1951 she married Mr. Hudson, a former Memphis attorney, now commissioner in chancery in Fairfax County, Va.

She leaves her husband; three sons, Lt. Col. John C. McCormack, stationed at Montgomery, Ala., Miles C. McCormack of Colorado Springs, Col., and Malcolm C. McCormack of Washington, and her brother, Dr. J. A. Crisler Jr. of Memphis.

The family requests any memorials be sent to the Methodist Hospital Building Fund or to CARE in Washington.

Services at 2 p.m. tomorrow at St. Mary's Episcopal Cathedral. Burial in Forest Hill. National Funeral Home in charge.

TUESDAY, MARCH 3, 1959

Well I remember, Dr. Crusher Jr. known of he would not be paid, saw the patient 5 times from 10 pm till day light. So from that day on, I knew he was a person who worked for the interest of all patients, regardless of their material circumstances. Its good to know people who are like that, gives you confidence and faith in people which our world needs so badly today—

Forefathers

March is like a lion now, with the winds blowing some rains fall too and storms reported here and there. As I sit here trying to think and relive years gone by – I truly say the most and best things are memories of goodness taught me by knowing good people. Use to be a few who would say one thing and do another, but most people in those days still remembered it wasn't too far back through the years, they lived in a rugged country and only hard work and honesty would help them to survive. Our forefathers did survive, some of course didn't

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but then spirits lived on and those who survived respected their memory through the years that they lived – any person is important to God, each is a life that God gave and if the lonely sea slug were the only living being it should be

respected, because God gave it life and it reproduces itself. Respect for others is the one thing our world needs today – and there is only one way for that to take roots and grown and that is to begin with ourselves and cleanse our hearts over lines of the lust, the crave of money and the terrible sin of wanting to be on top, for the sake of honor, the kind of honor, the politician holds in his clutches to make others bow down and do his bidding. But little does he realize the seed he sows, he will in due time rep and always your sins will find you out.

A Scrambled Affair

THURSDAY, MARCH 5, 1959

Well Nancy, I told you this would be a scrambled affair and it sure is – Margaret and Tom moved to Memphis. Elbert Jr. and Richard both have new cars and Elbert Jr. is not starting on a big try to win a trip to Miami, Fla for next year. He and Ladye hope to go to New York in May. That's the trip he won for his good work last year. Jr. works hard on his insurances and I am so thankful he is doing well. Mark Lenagar has gone to Shreveport, LA as manager of his work there he was assistant manager here in Memphis. Spring is just around the corner, the birds coming back, birds like the red bud, and others in fact just about all the birds went away once in awhile, a jay or mocking bird and very few sparrows remained. Now the black birds are departing and these other birds I told you about coming in and singing and early in the A.M.

FRIDAY, MARCH 6, 1959

Margaret arrived about 9 am and she and I shortened two

dresses and two skirts, this season, skirts are shorter almost to the knee. We fixed two dresses and two skirts, one skirt, made Margaret look like she was about 13 yrs old. We laughed about it.

We went by Dorothy's for a few minutes. She and Byran were home, Byran's granddad had vaccinated him for small pox, his arm is really taking good. he will go to school next fall. Each week we get letters from you and Norris, Frances and family, Walter Piercy, my brother, I write to those and Martha Nichols and of course a few others, and each week, first part I gather together bits of Munford news and others (?) is 9th year. I've been writing these weekly notes seems to come round quite often, but by telephone is almost the (?). 1 my contact with other people so after all maybe its good for me. Right now in your young life you can't understand its that the years come and youth slips

SATURDAY, MARCH 7, 1959

away, you have no choice, the same thing will happen to all that live –

Seems only yesterday, when I was 17, just really having dates and as all girls and boys, just wonder what the future holds in store and what will my lot be. Its a great big mystery life can't be explained by any human no matter how much they study and dig into it all, it still will never be explained – only we know there is a Great God, our Father, our life and our all, that earth gives life and receives the body when the spirit goes back to God. They are trying to go to other planets to reach the moon and competition is great. The greatness is through sin, brought on by hate, fear, prejudice, not stopping to think, forgetting to pray and ask God to give you direction take away your bent to sinning. Sin is brought on the works of the devil himself and the greatest of all his weapons

SUNDAY, MARCH 8, 1959

is (his couragement) if he can get to worry and feel things are wrong and what's the use, when you could look around and find a short cut by putting aside the right way of life for wrong thinking and wrong doing.

Mamma

This is a wonderful world, no beauty equals the earth's beauty for God's beauty is real and the other artificial which passes away. But God's world and His word will always be. This year Easter comes on 29th which is a bit early – so many things going on and we feel the nearness and dearness of Christ and the great need of Him. Today Helen's mother had a light stroke. Miss Myrtle is really a very gentle kind and a real christian woman. All she does or thinks is for good so I pray if it's His will she be spared her birthday is the same as my mother's, March 24. Mamma would be 87 years old just doesn't seem possible. I still

MONDAY, MARCH 9, 1959

feel its time she come in with her wonderful and sunny smile. She was only 62 when she passed away had all her own teeth but one which was filled with gold. She was never idle always busy. She had her cross along the way. Papa became ill and was crippled with arthritis. he too, was more than 19 years older than her, so she had to manage, plan and keep things going in her later years. He gave his best, but wasn't able to help her very much. He depended on her. He felt Alice is what he called her, could always manage and arrange or their welfare and she could. She knew how to work. She knew to save, manage and take care of what they had. She loved

flowers, all people and especially young people and she truly had a lot of young friends. I know she wants me and all of us to live right in the sight of God and some day we will then join her.

*The Brewster Place & The Elam Bachelors***TUESDAY, MARCH 10, 1959**

I will start at this point to tell you about our lives where we lived on what is still known as the Brewster place, to me, it was the one place, that will always live in my heart and memory. At our place, first, we still had grandma. She was a big part of lives and our home life. I guess will tell you I was now about 10 years old. Mamma was now 31 and Papa 50. Bill was 8, Walter about five years old. I loved school. Walter started to school when he 5 yrs old. He and bill really didn't like school but they were sent anyway. Grandma still taught me every night – reading, writing and arithmetic and our life there was quiet and peace. I can still see in my thoughts and from memory the fenced in yard of plink, with a garden and to the south the orchard with the most wonderful fruit, peaches, plums, berries, grapes. Well to me and all it was a good time of year. Mr. Bert and Mr. Horton Elam both bachelors lived across the road from our place. We were surrounded in a place of trees. There were

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flowers always in our yard both our parents loved flowers. We had cattle, horses, mules, had a hired hand, tenants on the place. So about this time as I remember Perry and Abe were tenants that had lived there for many years, Edd, the one I

told you Papa had for many years left about the time I was 10 years old, the Elam bachelors were well to do men, gentlemen and were nice to live by. Mr. Horton was very deaf only my brother Walter could convey a message to him, so he would hear it many times. Walter was sent by Mamma to invite Mr. Horton to come over and have home made vegetable soup with us. Seems no one could make it as well as Mamma and Mr. Horton thought so too.

Mr. Gary Usher lived at Horn Lake, Miss, told of one day when one of his horses strayed. He came up by our way and saw Mr. Horton in the woods across from our house hunting squirrels. Mr. Gary didn't know Mr Horton and of course didn't know he was deaf. So he called

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Mr. Horton, "have you seen anything of a stray horse," O yes, he is right up there in that tree" said Mr. Horton, pointing to the tree. Mr. Gary said he was so disgusted and said you must be _____ fool" and Mr. Horton smiled and replied, "Yes, the woods are full of them"the woods were full of squirrels.

Mag Jones & Bad Tasting Medicine

Mag Jones, was what we called her, the colored woman, who helped Mamma. Washed and really scrubbed the floors every week, Mag, just wasn't very bright. So, it was always lots of fun for us children to watch her and she told us weird stories too. Only had four front teeth, two above and two below. She dipped snuff and had long keen tooth brush made mostly from an elm tree – talking about elm trees you could never guess there was a barn on what was a bark called slippery elm, they would get the bark off the tree put it in a

glass of water and there was a thick, slippery substance they wrapped bad tasting medicine, like

FRIDAY, MARCH 13, 1959

quinine in that is so bitter, well they put in slippery stuff see quinine was in powder form and they wrap it up and we took it from a spoon, and for sure, we would get a taste of the quinine. The older ones took it in coffee or in capsule. The first capsule I ever tried to swallow held 5 grams of quinine, both Papa and I had malaria and we had company for summer. Miss Kate Isabell and Mrs. Hallie Brewster. It was about time for dinner and Papa said, "Mary you are big enough girl now to take quinine in a capsule. Well I sure wanted to so he told me to come back in kitchen where the water bucket with the dipper for drinking was along side of wash pan for face and hands. I took that capsule and opened my mouth just like he said and threw it as I thought right in my mouth and to my throat ready to swallow any way that capsule landed on the hall and stuck. I finally got it in my mouth and swallowed it.

Farming, Milking & Fishing

SATURDAY, MARCH 14, 1959

We had good fields, rich and Papa knew how to have it farmed. We had a big farm for cows, all fixed for a dairy, which we did have with around 50 cows to be milked by hand a barrel churn for churning butter, two handles that took two people to churn, Papa had a covered milk wagon that you drove two horses to – he with Bob sold the milk, sweet and butter milk in big cans, also butter, he bought ice of 100 lbs in big blocks. We had one spot I loved among others, but I

believe this spot was best to me. we called it a slough, instead of pond, it was large had several acres in it with cypress, places in it very deep. I had one spot my favorite on the north side, a big cypress root extended out over water. I sat there many hours a big log was but a ways from bank. I sometimes fished close to the log and would catch catfish and then after I would fish for perch. You could pull one out and put your huck [sic] back and catch another one it was wonderful.

Holliday Cousins

SUNDAY, MARCH 15, 1959

Grandma, I told you past away just before I was 11 years old and I have already told you about that. She was slender, frail and tall, grey eyes and a real lady with much dignity. She told me she loved me more than any of her other grandchildren, and I was too young not to know I shouldn't tell her oldest granddaughter Elisie Holliday, who came to many times from San Antonio with her sister Effie. They lived with us for a while. Later both married. Cousin Elisie was more than 20 years older than me, she married John Couch and cousin Effie who when she went out looked like Cleopatra, she was tall and too proud. She, I felt, didn't even love herself. Cousin Elisie was sweet. Effie married and went to Los Angeles, Calif. Married a Crandall. They had no children. Elisie, Allen, Jim and Grady – her sister and brothers too went there, they were Papa's sister's children.

More about Tip Top School

Tip Top School was a joy to me. I loved school and I never missed unless the weather was just impossible. They were

happy days...

MONDAY, MARCH 16, 1959

Elbert Nichols Jr.'s 41st birthday

Longstreet Church (Methodist which is still at the same place, was a wonderful joy and consolation [near E. Holmes Rd and Airways Blvd in Memphis]) Bill and I went to S. School regularly and prayer meetings. Our first S. school teacher was Mrs. C. B. Hilderfraud. This was Miss Emmie Bowe, Mr. Finley Holmes and his wife we called Mrs. Willie, their 4 sons, Harrison, Finley V. Jr., Francis, and James Elmore who is the only one that survives. He is known as Dr. Jimmy Holmes in Memphis. His grandparents were Mr. & Mrs. Francis Holmes. He had an Aunt Agnes Holmes, who was S.S. teacher and organist. The Holmes family were wonderful and good people. Mr. Finley was S. School Supt. for more than 45 years. He was one of the people I know too along life's journey as one who taught me and all who knew him that God was good and there was no other God. The story was told of him that when he was a boy 14 years of age, he heard a sermon on family prayer and when he got home with his father, Francis Holmes, he

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said, "Father, can't we have family prayer in or home"? His father was a fine gentleman and agreed, Mr. Finley said you read the bible and I'll pray. He was the oldest of a big family. He had two other sisters, one who was mother of Irene Beasley, long time radio singer for years. His brothers, Herbert, John Elmore, I think there maybe has another but the years have let me lose recollection of that – But Jim thankful

for all the wonderful and good people, I knew through those young years. Rev. Hassell and his family, his oldest daughter Avis who married Eber Meek. I always treasured from earliest girl hood to this day there were teachers so good so kind to me. Mr. Jim Hale, Mr. George Hale, Miss Ethel Hale, I could go on for memories of them are dear and precious to me.

Williford Bland of Millington lived with his Aunt Ora Hassell and went to Tip Top School. He was a wonderful friend and a friendship I'll always treasure for me is still a christian until the end of time.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 18, 1959

I thought I was in love just after I was 16 with a cousin of Mrs. Ellen Hams, Grady Camp – but I really wasn't. He wasn't trustworthy and I quit going with him, the last letter he wrote me, was after I had entered John Gaston Hospital as a student nurse in 1911. He knew for I told him I never wanted to go with any one who wasn't to be trusted, but I prayed to meet some day – one, whom I could trust with my life and soul. The words he wrote were, "Your name shall always be written in my heart, with golden letters, for you are a pure and wonderful girl". I was glad to end it with good will.

Walter had curly hair and he just hated to get his hair combed. Bill and I had a time getting him to comb his curly hair. Bill was always steady. Walter was ?????? by paper. Mamma thought Bill was wonderful, as for me after Grandma had gone, no one treated me badly, I was the only girl so I really was treated fine.

Nursing School

THURSDAY, MARCH 19, 1959

Papa wanted me to go to normal and teach school. Normal is Memphis State University now. Mr. E. W. Hale's father, Mr. Jim Hale, and Papa planned I'd teach in White Haven school but I didn't want to teach. I taught for a while for Miss Nolly who had J. B. and wasn't ever able to return to school. So, having my brother in the room was enough teaching for me. Las, I found teaching is a word that has much meaning, you teach any where you are but young lives take shape and most every time are molded into good or bad form – each child is an individual and each is a personality all its own so you need to study the children you find with one... He or she strictly have to be made to do some only kind and gentle reasoning. I believe most of all you need to be a living example of what you teach, for actions speak terribly loud and have a great influence even from your mouth you speak other ???? you must be trusted and depended

FRIDAY, MARCH 20, 1959

on for truth and honor so it was I decided to enter training as a nurse. Mamma, of course, was so sorry for me to leave but Papa said, "you can go, but I don't think you'll stay," I wasn't yet 18 yrs old. Cousin Elisie who married Capt. John Couch, was with the Memphis Police dept. he knew Mr. Tate the Supt. of the hospital and I entered, it was there, I saw the mayor of Memphis on occasions when he would come out to see that things were in order. The mayor was tall, a red head, erect

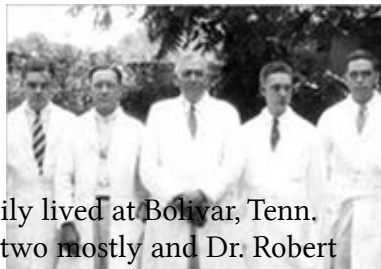
and proud. His name was Mayor Edd Crump. The hospital was certainly a new experience for me. I found for the first time in my life you must really be careful not to make friends with the wrong kind of people. I



remember well, how often my family and friends had told me this was true. I found that if a girl conducts herself properly that would be very few men so low as to disrespect her so it was I chose to go out with a male companion and only my roommate, Mattie Ragen and Ruby Connors whose sister was married to Dr. Exus (?)

SATURDAY, MARCH 21, 1959

in Memphis, Mattie Roger's family lived at Boliyar, Tenn. there were others too, but these two mostly and Dr. Robert Miller and Dr. Ben Schoalfeld were friends. I went with an intern. Dr. Floyd Webb and later with Dr. Granville Tabb



and Dr. Cecil Warde, all were gentlemen. I found fun and lots of work too. I found the operating rooms my favorite place and I was head floor nurse and night superintendent too, during those days. I graduated May 8, 1913, with 13 in class. We were the first nurses to graduate in the Medical College, and our head nurse, Miss Spencer, who later married Dr. Lyman Chapman gave this charge to the class – "When the night has come and the candles burn low and now you are alone with your patient and only God is present then think to do for that patient



just what you would want done to you, if you were the patient.

SUNDAY, MARCH 22, 1959

Dr. Henry Radner Sr. and Jack Witherington both graduated the same month I did.

The charging I'll say meant a guide to me all through my life. I remember once when we were terribly rushed in the operating rooms one doctor, who was an assistant to Dr. Frank Ward Siny (?) the said just leave that undone. It was a charity case, I said, "doctor, if you don't mind I want to do for this patient what should be done, I may sometime be a charity case and I sure would want the right thing done for me". He was so kind and humble and said, "Do what you know you should".

I had met your dad long before I graduated – he was usually with some girl who was out for fun and I hadn't given any thought to him, another doctor, who most of the family knew, Dr. S. S. Erous (?), I knew him from his earliest years in medical school. He was quiet and serious always in his manners. I attended the First Baptist Church in Memphis during my hospital

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training. Dr. Boone was pastor. first wife was my school teacher.

She had a large class of girls and every week some of those girls visited us who attended church there. She sometimes had wonderful parties as I remember we had over 100 girls in her class. Dr. Boone's son, Will, was ordained to preach during those days. We had some wonderful staff doctors. Dr. Willis Campbell that is now the Campbell Clinic, but in those days Dr. Campbell, had an old car, with back-end out of it. He was quite a large man. We had special gowns for him to wear in operating rooms due to his size. He was experimenting in orthopedic surgery.

Granville Tabb, MD - Jackson

William Granville Tabb, Jr., M.D., 94, died Wednesday, February 8, 2012. A graveside service will be held for family members at a future date. Sebrell Funeral Home will be in charge of the arrangements.

Dr. Tabb was born to Flora Virginia Granberry Tabb and William Granville Tabb, M.D., on September 27, 1917. He grew up in Greenwood, MS, and graduated from Greenwood High School where he played the trombone in the band. He attended Mississippi State College on a band scholarship and studied engineering. He was a member of Pi Kappa Alpha Fraternity. After graduation in 1939, he married Alice Mayes Watson of Brandon. He attended Mississippi Medical School and then went on to graduate with honors from the University of Tennessee Medical School in Memphis. He was a member of Phi Chi Medical Fraternity, and A.O.A. Honorary Medical Fraternity. After an internship at John Gaston Hospital in Memphis, he served in the A.S.F.T.C. as a Captain in teaching and training combat medical personnel. After the service he re-trained at Rush Hospital in Meridian until a residency in Ophthalmology opened at Tulane University in New Orleans, LA. He then began private practice in Atlanta, GA. While in Atlanta, Dr. Tabb became interested in faceting gem stones, which became a lifelong love and hobby. He and Alice returned to Jackson in 1971, where he practiced Ophthalmology until his retirement. He and Alice were members of the Calliope Club and First Presbyterian Church.

Dr. Tabb is survived by his daughter, Carolyn Tabb Lambert of Ridgeland; granddaughter, Virginia Nicholas Tabb of Fairbanks, Alaska; grandson, Ward William VanSkiver and wife, Desi of Madison; Virginia Tabb VanSkiver Wallace and husband, Ben of Greenville, South Carolina; grandson, William Granville Tabb, IV and wife, Becca of Denver, Colorado; great grandchildren, William Reese VanSkiver of Madison, Emslie Nicholson Wallace, Virginia Granberry Wallace and Sara Tabb Wallace, all of Greenville, South Carolina. Dr. Tabb was preceded in death by his wife of 72 years, Alice, his son, William Granville Tabb III, and grandson, John Wayne VanSkiver.
-- Memorials may be made to First Presbyterian Church in Jackson.

Charlie

I helped him many times, one case who spent about 2 years as a patient, a boy about 8 or 9 years old, had been hit accidentally in back and was paralyzed from the head down. He could move only his head. His family were very poor and were not a healthy family either. The boy's name was Charley.

TUESDAY, MARCH 24, 1959

Charley was known by everyone, even by people who brought him many things. There wasn't much charity in Memphis in those days and most people just seemed to get by. They all knew they had to work and they worked to live and support their families. Well any way, Charley was one that was remembered. His family had gone to Arizona and he was alone so he was well cared for. Dr. Campbell worked and worked till at the end of 2 yrs or more, Charley walked and was able to join his people.

The Doctors at John Gaston Hospital

Dr. Campbell started from the bottom and made his way. All the interns walked out of John Gaston Hospital once due to a superintendents unjust authority. Interns won their place by competent examination. A doctor, from the north and who hadn't ever taken an exam was made house doctor. We nurses wanted to walk out too, but the staff doctors persuaded us for



Mary Frances Piercy's graduating class

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 25, 1959

humanity's sake not to —

Dr. Henry Hill volunteered to come help out and he was just with Dr. Campbell and Dr. Campbell helped Dr. Hill to be a surgeon too. Dr. Max Goltman, who had several sons, who later made doctors was the first doctor in Memphis to sew a heart and patient live. He was a tall mulatto negro had been stabbed. To us all it was a miracle. Dr. George Liner Moore, Dr. Battle Malone, Dr. Robin Mason, Dr. J. L. Andrews, Dr. Percy Toonbro (?), Dr. Eugene Johnson, Dr. J.A. Crusher Sr., Dr. W. T. Black Sr., Oh, here were so many fine doctors. Dr. Likely Simpson and Dr. A. C. Lewis were eye and throat specialists.

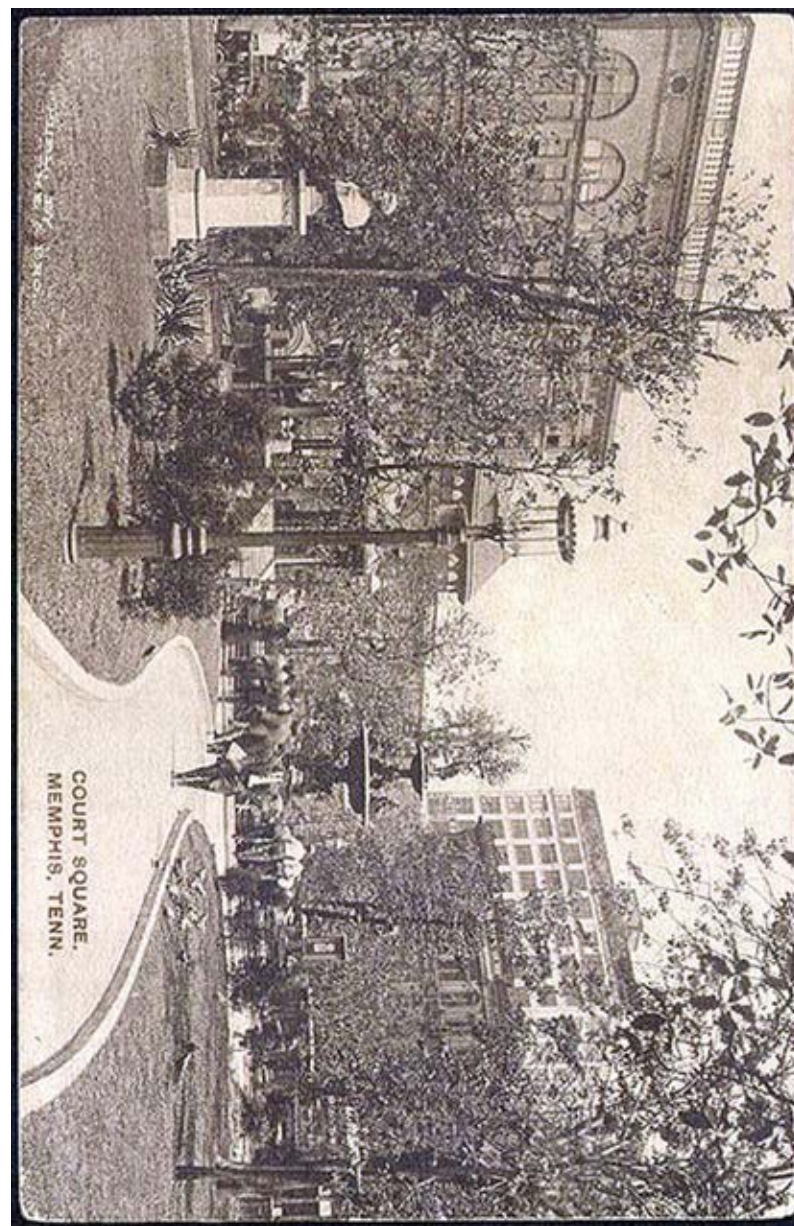
First Weeks in Nursing School

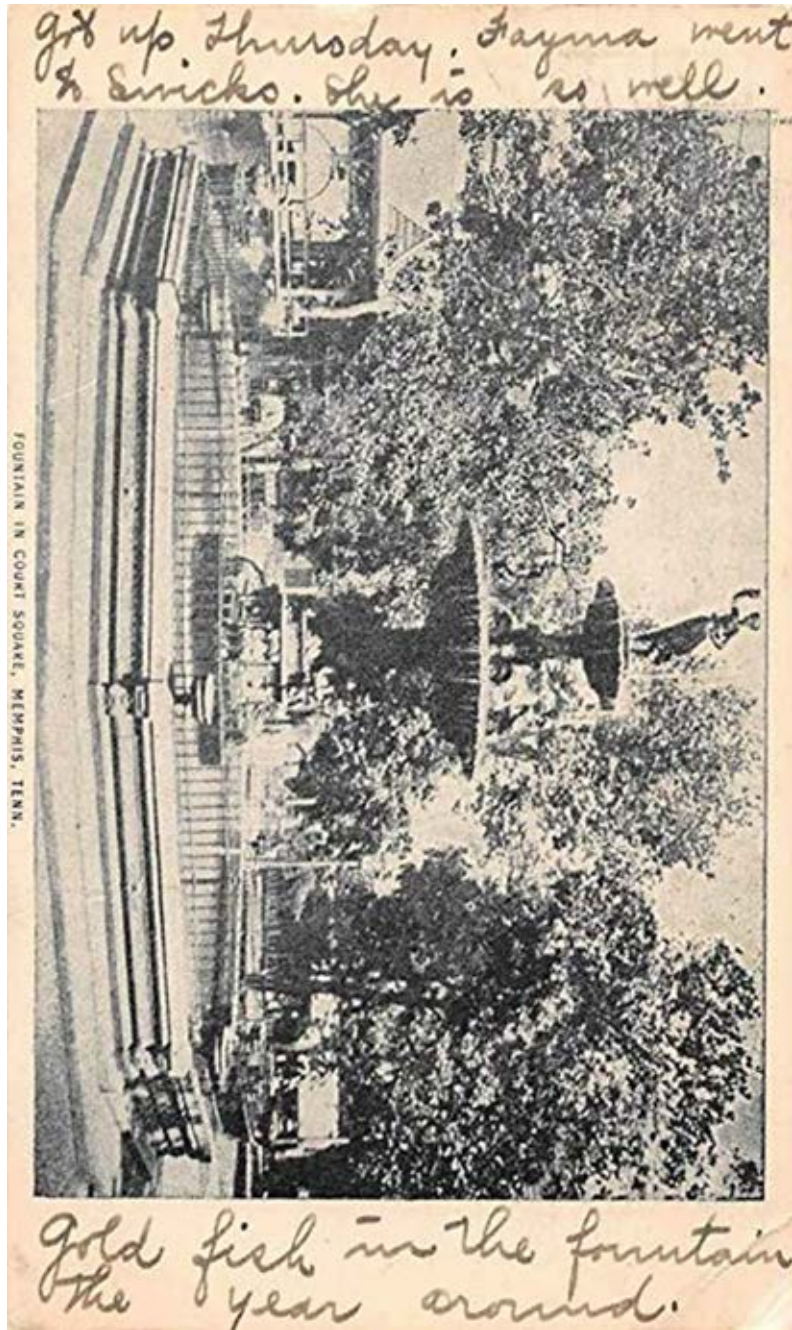
Nancy, I didn't tell you of my first days there so I'll try — The first two weeks were terrible. I had never been away from home among all strangers. I visited Aunt Mary Cotton and cousin Elsie Couch — Papa's aunt and niece right often

Thursday, March 26, 1959

in Memphis, so I'd been to many places cousin E. didn't have any children and she and her husband were very nice to me and took me so many places, theatre, fairs or anything else when I visited them.

Court Square Downtown Memphis







So, we just got 4 hours – once a week off duty when I first entered training. Cousin Elisie and Mammie were supposed to come to see me and only cousin E. came, said Mamma, “Aunt Alice” she called her, she was afraid she would cry.

Well, I thought I was doing a very kind thing, I invited another young student nurse to go with us. When we got up town by Gerbers, it was there then across from Court Square, a man about 50 yrs with a mustache walked out and the girl ran to him and called him grandpa. Well, as for me, I thought it touching. Every cousin there pulled me aside and said right now Mary I want to give you some advice, that’s no more her grandpa than he is yours. The girl is not good so it was a lesson that proved itself very true for

FRIDAY, MARCH 27, 1959

after a few weeks, she was sent from hospital for misbehavior.

Captian John Couch

So Cousin E. sure did a good thing. Another thing, I well remember like that, Cousin E. and I went to Police Headquarters to stop by and see her husband Capt. John Couch. He gave me good advice too. The interns in those days, seemed (?) a month at Police Station. Well the one at the Police Sta. I hadn’t seen and he was coming back to the hospital. He told me, Mary he is a real flirt. He is married. His wife works so he can go to school, so I say watch out for him. Sure enough he was put on F ward where I was. Sr. nurse and the very 1st thing he said was how pretty I was and I saw he meant soon to ask me for a date so I told him I knew about him and knew his wife paid his way through school and that was all

SATURDAY, MARCH 28, 1959

I wanted to hear from him. You can be sure that was the last of him – I was just a simple and shy country girl but my standards were high.

There was another Intern, a Jew, he was really a convincing love maker but I was honest. I didn't love him and I just plan told him so.

Dr. Ben Schoolfield, one of the Interns, who was very nice and a good friend, came back and said after this Jew returned to Intern quarters, he said he would like to have a by full portrait of me and have written under it innocence. I have nothing against Jews, at all, have had some good friends in days gone by, they are fine people but going back to him. Well that was over and I had surely been real honest and frank too. I thought later, the head nurse told us this same Jew intern had invited her and all the student nurses that could go to a big circus in Memphis. It

SUNDAY, MARCH 29, 1959

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Mary Frances Piercy with friends (She is in the dark hat leaning forward)

Hallie who later married Dr. Garrett who was an intern, when I entered nurses school. Miss Hallie was my senior nurse and later was head nurse. I was always very fond of her and Miss Annie Logan, who was also a senior when I went into training. Miss Logan was called "Mother Logan" by all us girls. She later was a missionary to China.

Aunt Mary Cotton & Miss Logan

I well remember, when one night, I heard and listened to the oldernurses talking of different diseases. I knew nothing of diseases - so I heard one say a certain patient had _____. Well, I didn't want them to think I was too dumb so I told them I had an Aunt Mary Cotton who had Syphilis. Miss Logan had known Aunt Mary and my father's family all the years - so she said, "No Mary, Your Aunt Molly, she called her, would be humiliated to death if she heard you say that about her. Aunt Mary had erysipelas. Well, you sure do have to live to learn that's for sure - for as the years went

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on, I found out, no one can learn it all, some things you can do better, if you have an interest and try – but don't ever feel other people know everything or know nothing.

Aunt Mary couldn't wear black hose, had to wear white ones, every time she wanted hose Erysipelas.

A Dr. Campbell Story

I must tell you one funny thing about Dr. Campbell, when just starting my nursing study, one morning, Miss Snider, one of the seniors and maybe two others, all were senior nurses, they had been on night duty. Night duty in those days meant, 12 hours straight, so often after breakfast, the nurses would go out and walk in the fresh air, so on this particular morning, Dr. Willis Campbell's car was out front of hospital as I've already said he was tall and extra big person, we all respected and loved him as a coming doctor for he was faithful and interested. Anyway, Dr. Campbell's car was real old and beaten up, I well remember, another person was outside of hospital walking too, looking at the flowers and trees, so nurses and woman outside engaged in

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conversation, and Dr. Campbell's name got into the conversation, the woman was pleasant, saw the car out there in front and one thing led to another, perhaps the woman inquired, how they thought of Dr. Campbell. Anyway, the group all agreed on one thing, if this woman hadn't seen Dr. C then they just could not imagine what a huge man he was and he was too. They, the nurses told her, they sure would like to see a woman who would marry such a big man, they almost felt sorry for her. She joined in conversation and they continued the conversation until Dr. C- came down the steps and on to the walk, then she said with good humor, "girls, I'm glad I have your sympathy you see he is my

husband". I shant ever forget, how embarrassed and humiliated those nurses were. Mrs. Campbell they decided was a fine and jovial person and sure had a good sense of

humor.

SPECIAL DATA [AFTER TUESDAY, MARCH 31, 1959]

Elbert R Nichols Jr. was 41 yrs old March 16. My mother Alice Piercy, if living, would be 87 yrs old, March 24th. She will be gone 25 yrs May 29, 1959

Mrs. Myrtle Bomar also has a birthday on March 24.

James Elbert Nichols (Jim) 6 yrs old March 28

Letter about Nichols Family from Aunt Mat

March 10 received a letter from your Aunt Mat and she gave me this information about her family and your dad's family.

Paternal great grandparents Alfred Nichols and Martha Nichols – had five sons and 2 daughters – your grandfather Wm. H Nichols was oldest. His father, a school teacher, died when he was 11 years old and he was the main support of his mother brothers and sisters. They lived in Middle Tenn. At the age of 21 your grandfather Nichols moved to West Tenn. At age of 22 he married Margaret Brown, age 21, her father gave her \$500.00, so that was what they started on. Your grandfather was a hard worker and wanted every one else to work. Your grandmother Nichols had her hands full bringing up eleven children, 6 boys and 5 girls. Then your grandfather Nichols brothers and one sister moved to West Tenn.

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Also his mother, Martha Nichols, she lived in your

grandfather Nichols' home most of the time until her death when she was quite old as I told you once before she smoked a clay pipe. She wore the clothes that made your grandfather Nichols first suit, could not tell it was hand made. She made all kinds of clothes real well, the Big Bible they had and would have known the dates of birth and other things buried in the house we have a picture of. William Harris Nichols died 1906 was 58 years old, so that means he was born in 1848. [b. 5 Dec 1847 d. 27 Feb 1906] Margaret Brown Nichols was born 1850 and died August 7, 1942 [died 8 Aug 1942; buried 9 Aug 1942 in Florence, AL in Florence Cemetery] age 92 years. She was buried at Florence AL and William Harris Nichols buried at Union Grove Methodist Church, North of Kenton, Tenn. so was his mother, Martha Nichols, your dad describes her as a small person. She must have had plenty of energy and go, for the things told of her. I knew the following uncles

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of your dad, Uncle Jim, his wife was Aunt Margaret. They had a large family one daughter was the mother of the five outstanding Baptist ministers. The 5 Boston brothers and they had the little Doctor in front of their names – all good ministers pastors of good churches; only ones of his large family that survive, is Nell who is married and lives at Fulton, KY. E. C. Nichols who is quite old and still lives in Union City; the other uncles Joe, John and Tom Nichols: one aunt who married a Wilkerson near Troy, Tenn. I feel sure she passed away years ago. (I leave space here to give your grandmother Nichols parents names – Really only knew for sure of her brother Ross Brown married Mary Wilson of Troy, Tenn. Uncle Ross was a grand person in every way and so was Uncle Ross, they had six nice daughters.

Alfred E Nichols

b. 1821, TN
d. 1858, Marshall County, TN

Martha Frances Waters (Ma Nichols)

b. 1 Jan 1823, Virginia, USA
d. 1905, Obion County, TN

Mary Jane Nichols

b. 3 Feb 1845, Tennessee
d. 18 Mar 1934, Petersburg, TN
m. George Washington Causby (1844-1931)

Letitia Annette Nichols

b. 1 Apr 1854 Marshall County, TN
d. 5 Sep 1925, Troy, TN
m. Jefferson Greene Wilkinson (1849-1904)
Children: William T. (1873-1919), Maggie Latonia (1874-1921), Mary F (1879-unk), Lemuel Alford (1881-unk), Rufus O (1883-unk), Nettie (1884-1952), Gertrude Ola (1891-1946), Fredric Clarence (1893-1933)

William Henry "Bill" Nichols

b. 5 Dec 1847, Marshal County, TN
d. 27 Feb, Obion, TN
m. Margaret J "Gettie" Brown "Ma Nichols" (1823-1905)

John H Nichols

b. 10 Dec 1851, TN
d. 1 Feb 1921, Troy, TN
m. Rebecca Fannie (1848-unk)
Daughter: Emma E Nichols m. John Pryor Phillips (1872-1936)
son: David Roland "Phil" Phillips (1915-1980) m. 1939 Doris Marie Herr Phillips (1916-1987)

Thomas Lemuel Nichols

b. 26 Mar 1856, Lincoln, TN
d. 29 Aug 1941, Jefferson, AR
m. Clara J Guy (1879-unk)
Children: Paul E (1902-unk), Clara (1904-unk), Mary E (1905-unk), Tom L (1908-unk), Louise E (1913-1997)

James Paris Nichols

b. 1853, Marshall County, TN
d. Bef. 1936, Obion County, TN
m. Margurite M Pearson (1853-1936)
Children: Anna May (1885-unk), Dora Lee (1887-unk), Melvin Lexie (1890-1918), Nellie (1892-1900)

Alfred Josiah Nichols

b. 22 May 1858, TN
d. 24 Dec 1933, Jackson, TN
m. Mary L Stanfield (1861-unk)
Children: Luther L (1877-unk), Thomas Edcar (1885-unk), Lovie (1891-unk)



*(right) Emma E. Nichols
Phillips*

(below) John Pryor Phillips



David Roland Phillips was born and raised in Tennessee; Inducted on 8 Oct 1943; Entered US Navy service on 18 Oct 1943 at NRS, Nashville, Tennessee, USA; Rank: Ship's Cook third Class SVV6 USNR; honorable separation at San Diego, CA on 3 Jan 1946; David Roland Phillips married Doris Marie Derr on 25 Jun 1939 in Memphis, but moved his family to San Diego, California during WWII. Together they raised 1 son. David became a Chef at Keith's Restaurant in National City, and worked his way up to Night Manager/part owner before retiring from a 32 year career at same. He loved Square Dancing and danced with Doris all over San Diego county. They returned to Memphis for their retirement, but Bladder Cancer ended that after only 2 years.

Provided by Carol Phillips

Doris Marie Derr Phillips was born in Arkansas, but raised in Mound City, Illinois with her sister Fanchion Elizabeth Derr by their maiden Great Aunts Doris Francis Derr, Mayme and Carrie Lawler. Doris Marie Derr Phillips graduated from Mound City Community High School in 1934 and became a Hotel Switchboard Operator in Mound



William Thomas Wilkerson



Rufus Oscar Wilkerson



Letitia Annette Wilkerson and Mary Lou Darnell

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Well, Nancy, this is a scrambled affair. I couldn't have hardly done it otherwise. I can write, but because of my eyes its difficult to sit and read. So as I have thought – so have I written, I had to remember, but soon now, I plan to start where your dad and I married and then try to give it as a story – wish me luck. I'll write a few more incidents and things I feel important and then choose a day. I think, I'll start it on my mother and father's wedding anniversary.

Today, all over our United States, we find people anxious, thinking and most of all, so uncertain. Makes each of us wonder just why and for what —

We can find one sure solution to all of it and that is be right with God, and He must be first, in our lives, before our family or anything else, for we must realize and know we are nothing without God.

Young Woman of the Red Light District

As I look back now to my girl hood and especially after I went

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in training to be a nurse, I recall one vivid instance, when one morning as I reached the 4th floor and stepped off the elevator, I heard a young, but tired out looking young woman who had as her companions two of the flashy women of red light district of Memphis. You won't get me next time, I'll sure finish it for sure, inquired of the other nurses, just what was she talking about, they said, she tried suicide and they found her and brought her to emergency room and she had been found in time that the poison had not gone out of

John Mills Brown

b. 28 Feb 1817, Blacksburg, SC

d. 1896, Obion, TN

Terse Jane Rieves

b. 19 Jan 1827, SC

d. 5 Apr 1899, Obion, TN

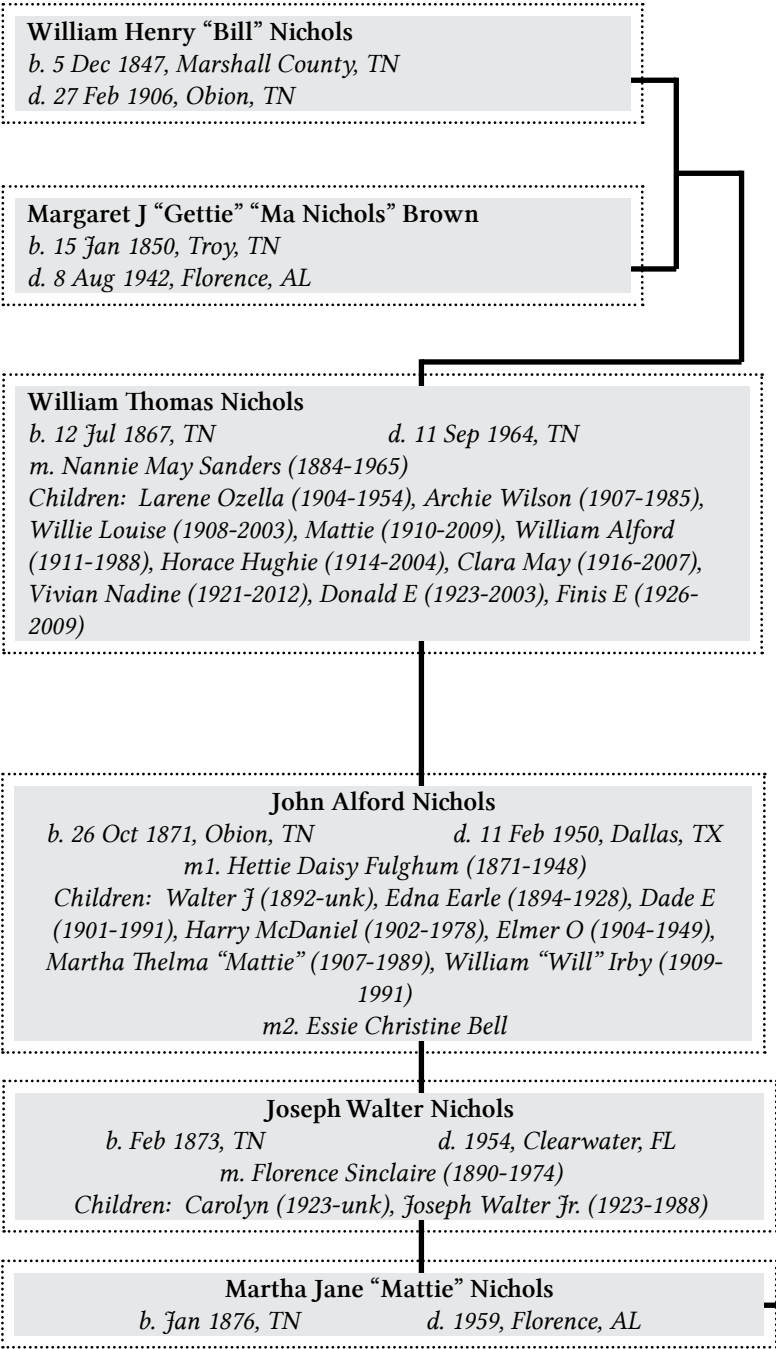
Martha Susan "Mattie" Brown

b. 10 Aug 1854, TN

d. Aug 1882, Obion, TN

Joseph Brown

b. 1853



stomach and she had neither had time to absorb it enough to really hurt her. Anyway, I recall with great sadness to me for I wasn't use to this...

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She kept her word, she took Bichloride of Mercury tablets and this time, she wasn't found in time and after a few days, her kidneys had been eaten up and she was now reaching her last moments. She was in a small private room and I was assigned to stay with her. She had left her husband and two small children in Arkansas and come to Memphis with another man – and he in turn deserted her. As Dr. Henry Rudner said of it, she didn't do it because the other man deserted her, but because of shame and humility and loss of her family. She must have been 23 to 25 yrs of age, found out she was Catholic Faith and her Rosary was around her neck. I didn't know the meaning of the beads, but I knew she was trying to pray, so I would help her touch the beads and after the prayer or prayers, she lapsed into semi-consciousness and there was a knock on the door. It was a letter by special delivery

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from her husband in Arkansas. He told her, "I'll forgive you everything, won't you come back, our two little children call for Mamma, and the big house is so empty and lonely without you". I felt that God truly answered her prayers and she was forgiven. Prayer if sincere and true are always heard. Maybe not just as we ask, but God hears and answers in the way, He knows best for us. I'll never forget that experience.

The Brother Who had Plenty

Another experience I'd never forget, I had only been in training a short time, everything was new to me and sick people I just can't tell you how I feel about helplessness and people who are humble. I know in my heart, they are the ones Jesus will seek out and help. It won't be the snob, when I speak of snob, I mean some who possess in their mind because

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of having material things, they feel they are better, they know it all and are too good to speak to others except a few. These to me are the big little people and when the end comes for them, God, will not even know them — am glad I feel this way.

Now, going back to this very sick man, so thin, so sad, so helpless, knowing he would soon go — I tried to be good and kind to him and make him feel, there are those who do care, so I must have made him feel it enough, till he told me one day, when I asked if there was anything I could help him with. He said, "yes", I have a wife a number of children they are poor, we don't have material things, and I have a brother who has plenty, if only he will help my wife and children see to it, they don't go hungry. Well, I sat down in a chair

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and wrote what he told me to his brother, he didn't ask for any help, for himself only his family. I added a post script, He won't be here much longer and as his brother, please help

him by coming, writing and letting him know you care — No answer ever came, and of course he was buried in Potter's Field. Some how, some way, I have always felt so sad about that, I know Jesus was with him, for Jesus paid it all on the cross, and He was alone. But often, I thought of his family. He loved them and was sick and helpless, how sad I know he was...

I think again of the snob. I feel Him recall many right here in our little country town, on Christmas I remember when a family was in need and so happened one of the snobs of our town talked to me and she said, "O'sell, they are just poor trash"

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Well, I had the feeling what manner of a person could say a crude, cruel and cussed thing like that, but a snob would like her. If she had come face to face with Jesus, have told Him that, but there are many of so called Christians just like her. The material things of life are first and just as a clock, be a pretender, and try to cover up by dressing real fancy like it being at church, maybe speak to a few and think I have been to church, but what a feeling they give most people who chanced met them, the cool, cold, icy nothing from their hearts.

THURSDAY, APRIL 9, 1959

Ott Trobaugh, a friend, neighbor for more than 20 years, died suddenly of a heart attack today. Saw him over the field about 1 hour before seeing about the ones working his crop. Have

seen him many times over there. He and "Miss Pearl" our family have loved all the years. They have been especially good to our girls Miss Pearl played their accompaniment on piano to sing. Mr. Ott and Miss Pearl often told Margaret how they wished she was their daughter. Never saw or met him any place but that he was wearing a smile and his friendship was genuine. He surely will be missed by his many friends he has made just like our family. Our heart aches for her, he was so good and kind to her always. They lost their only child, Ott Jr. in Europe during World War II.

So it is God comes in this world with us and then we will leave and He will go out with us if we just want Him to.

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Marriage License

State of Tennessee

Tipton County

Personally appeared before me, _____ Clerk of the County Court of said County, _____ who made oath in due form that _____ and _____ are known to him, and that they are each over sixteen years of age.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this _____ day of _____, 19____

County Court Clerk.

A. C.



FRIDAY, APRIL 10, 1959

Guess, the only way I can ever write this book will be to write as I feel and think, for there are so many things to think of, to do, and then all chores that come daily, too, there are the unexpected things...

NOTE CAREFULLY
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A COURT OF RECORD IN TENNESSEE

DELANE CERTIFICATE OF BIRTH **STATE OF TENNESSEE**
DEPT. OF PUBLIC HEALTH
DIV. OF VITAL STATISTICS

NAME AT BIRTH Ott Cal Trobaugh DATE OF BIRTH Jan. 18, 1990

BIRTHPLACE Tipton County Tenn. COLOR White SEX Male

FATHER: William Alexander Trobaugh BIRTHPLACE Tennessee

MOTHER: Elia Ruth Turnage BIRTHPLACE Tennessee

I HEREBY CERTIFY, ON OATH, THAT My commission expires Dec. 22, 1945. My commission expires Dec. 22, 1945. My commission expires Dec. 22, 1945. NOTARY PUBLIC

ABSTRACT OF SUPPORTING EVIDENCE

NAME AND KIND OF DOCUMENT (INCLUDING BY WHOM ISSUED AND DATE OF ISSUE)	DATE ORIGINAL DOCUMENT WAS MADE
1 Family Bible Record, made prior to the 4th birthday	3/30/1945
2 Affidavit of relative—mother	
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INFORMATION CONCERNING REGISTRANT AS STATED IN DOCUMENT OF CORRESPONDING NUMBER ABOVE

BIRTH DATE OR AGE	BIRTHPLACE	NAME OF FATHER	FULL NAME OF MOTHER
1 Jan. 18, 1990	Tipton County	W A Trobaugh	E R T Trobaugh
2 Jan. 18, 1990	Tipton County	W A Trobaugh	F R T Trobaugh
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I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT I HAVE EXAMINED THE 2 DOCUMENTS ABSTRACTED ABOVE, FIND THEM VALID, AND THAT THE INFORMATION CONTAINED THEREIN IS AS NOTED ABOVE, AND RECOMMEND THAT THE DATE OF BIRTH BE ACCEPTED FOR FILING BY THE DIVISION OF VITAL STATISTICS, TENNESSEE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH.

SIGNED J. W. McDaniel ADDRESS Covington, Tenn. DATE March 30, 1945.

APPROVED W. A. Trobaugh DATE APR 7 1945 BY ms

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understood each other and had deep love for one another – years come and when we really need someone to comfort you by understanding, very seldom do others understand, young children marry and have more different ideas, most of our children and the ones they married have certainly been good to your dad and I too. I want them to love each other

and respect one another, for they are all brothers and sisters material things of life, should never cause any one to feel big possessing material things. You are made better then others, neither by education for education would help you find true balance and weigh then need of good life, trust that God is first in all things.

MONDAY, APRIL 13, 1959

When I was a child, I had some cousins, my father's nieces, visit in our home, for several months – Cousin Effie and Elisie. Effie was too good to teach school, too good to do any manual work, if she did have to press a dress, she put gloves on her hands.

She had been well educated, her mother was Papa's sister Lillie and her father, a professor. He was a writer, and could speak Latin, better than I can English, but Effie, made me realize, I wanted to be the kind of person, my mother was – she was good, always shared and helped others, regardless of who they were –

I would that all my children could be like that

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some have married good people who help them to favor God better and I do pray for those who haven't married people like that, I love all my children and their mates, and their children so, it is with great compassion and love, I say that, for I want that all be saved and in the end of life go into everlasting life in God's house. I never do anything for spite or through meanness. I offer advice for the sake of your lives and souls –

Well, here I am again, I say again as seems, I've just been

mixed up and life has been a struggle, as a nurse, I say its mostly because I am not well. Blood pressure up – lots of pain here and there and a headache too because I guess of high blood pressure, so please forgive me if I seem out of line a lot of times, for when one is well and normal, then they act normally –

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My Brother, Walter

THURSDAY, APRIL 16, 1959

Walter, my brother, came to see us, was driven from Soldier and Sailor's House in Quincy, Ill. He is not well so weak and nervous, and so much underweight too. Walter is neat in person, keeps his things in order and clean. We always enjoy having him visit us. Its getting time for strawberries to ripen, we have a nice patch west of the house. Walter was with us last year when berries were being picked, it always gives me the consolation of having the feeling of nearness of Papa and Mamma, when Walter comes. They always loved him so much, he was the youngest, Bill came on Sunday with his family to see us so it was a happy reunion, we three and of course our families

Kids & Cousins

FRIDAY, APRIL 17, 1959

[Date was marked thru and written was Sunday, Feb 10 -63]

Today is Walter's birthday. He is 43. Dorothy went back to Baptist Hospital Friday. She underwent back surgery about 4 weeks ago, then she was dizzy and your dad took her temperature it was 104. She returned to hospital and Dr. R. E. Semmes, who operated, thinks its her kidneys. Bryan has a sore throat and Steve stayed with him. Margaret was here so, she and Steve took her back to hospital.

We were looking for two of your dad's first cousins, Miss Mary Nichols of Little Rock, Ark. and her sister, Mrs. Louise Summers of Jackson, Miss. who has a son at Campbell's Clinic who has been in a car wreck. Louise has an apt. at Parkview Hotel. They brought Rev. E. M. Sharp of Memphis, who is getting the back ground of their forefathers and other relatives. We liked them very much.

Mrs. Cecil Belle

Last Sunday, Mrs. Cecil Belle died after giving

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birth to her 10th child, Annie May and Cecil are our friends and it was so sad to us and all the town for she was loved and had worked so hard. It was all very sad, the baby is still in hospital, it wasn't right. Cecil has every thing under control.

Mr. Gross

Mrs. Gross went to VA hospital and found Mr. Gross had pneumonia so she went back to Memphis and went to stay till he is better. Poor fellow, he has sure been sick a long time. Margaret and Tom went back to Nashville, yesterday. Tom worked 3 days in Memphis. Lady Frances is still on bed rest. She has been for 8 weeks.

Mr. Gross never came back home but passed away Feb 1963 at Kennedy VA Hospital in Memphis, TN.

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Mary Frances Piercy & Elbert Royal Nichols - The Beginnings

SATURDAY, APRIL 25, 1959

67 years ago today – My father, Wm T. Piercy married my mother, Alice Elizabeth Dodson, in Memphis, Tenn. – so, I believe this will be the day to try to tell or begin to tell you about when I first knew your dad. I was a student nurse at John Gaston Hospital in Memphis. I was 19, when I first saw him. He would come to see other girls at the nurses home and I was going with other young men. He was 23 years of age. He was blond, with bluish grey eyes and wore nice looking clothes, was tidy and well groomed – being lively and life to him was fun. As I now recall, was just about his pattern for



Before he died in 1912, John Gaston told his friends that wanted his mansion converted into a public hospital. That didn't happen until the death of his wife in 1929. Then the mansion was deemed too small for a decent hospital and it was demolished and the property was converted into Gaston Park. The bulk of Gaston's fortune, supplemented by funds from the Public Works Administration, was then used to build a brand new city hospital in the Madison Avenue Medical District. The John Gaston Hospital opened in 1936 and remained one of the city's busiest hospitals until it was demolished in 1990 to make way for the growth of "The Med". (previous pictures taken in 1936)



All phases of nursing demand rigid training in medical schooling. In the picture, Miss Anne Taylor, at John Gaston School of Nursing, instructs a class of attentive students. The course of training at St. Joseph's Hospital is similar to that at the John Gaston and other Class A hospitals.



John Gaston Hospital Memphis, TN

life as you know from your childhood till now. So when we first met, it was just a meeting of two young people. To be young, what a wonderful state – no matter who tells you – what a wonderful thing it is to be young, you just don't really hear, until youth fades and years creep up and they are in the past.

SUNDAY, APRIL 26, 1959

I was night supervisor of John Gaston Hospital until I left after graduation in May. These were joys of spring time and joys of youth. I met a number of young men and several wanted me to marry them. My family sold their stock and other things and bought a place with acreage on Mallory Ave. East of 51 or better known then as Hernando Rd.

Mamma often met me when I got my hours off and we went to a show and would eat. She was still not 40 and Papa was nearly 60. I am sure I didn't appreciate all the joy my mother got from meeting me up town and us getting together. I was young and as I've said we simply don't appreciate the things we have till they are gone. She was so good and I can see her happy smile and feel her goodness, love and the purity of her inner soul.

I met Floyd Webb who was a medical sophomore my first few weeks after entering the

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hospital school. He was very nice and we went together over two years. I knew and felt I could have trusted him for I never met a nicer person than he was to me, but again there is something, he drank and after, we quit going together he went

back to drink, and through the years, I heard of him. He drank and died several years ago in Ark. of a heart attack, but he respected womanhood and told me once, of awakening after being out on a drinking spree and he found his mother knelt in prayer for him. The world has many – people in it that are good. [He is buried at Munford Cemetery in Covington, TN]

There was Dr. W. G. Tabb another who graduated with first honor. He really, I felt, was too attentive – sent me flowers at least once a week. I was never without candy and would take me to entertainments, shows and we often dined out up town in Memphis.

TUESDAY, APRIL 28, 1959

I rather liked the rainy nights and the lights would glisten on the wet streets.

Williford Bland was my first boy friend. He was raised in Millington, and I never met or knew a truer Christian. He, too, asked me to marry him as well as Dr. Tabb.

Guess Dr. Cecil Warde of Millington was the most romantic of them all. He loved me from the start and continued to tell me until a few days before I married your dad. He wrote me 24 pages – begging me not to marry your dad – life is a strange thing, for as I started out to tell you – meeting your dad was just meeting another person. It was a year later, after I had graduated from John Gaston, I met him again, at Baptist where I was on duty. He wanted to call and take me to a movie and do you know that was the last time I ever dated any one else besides just him. He, as you know Nancy, is a very persistent person so that was the end of the others

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 29, 1959

Walter F. Piercy, my brother, left for his home in Quincy, Ill after being here two weeks. He arrived two weeks before from the Soldiers and Sailors Home at Quincy. He only weighed 137 lbs, He had gained when he left and weighed 145 lbs.

Now, on back to the year I married your dad. He had a girl named Myrtle Freeman at Dresden, Tenn. where his brother, Walter, was principal of the Cobb and Nichols School. It was there he met Myrtle and feel so in love. Later, when he went to Vanderbilt to study medicine, he forgot Myrtle and had a real nice girlfriend named Anna Deal Bramble – who went to Ward Belmont but a woman named Violet, and she wasn't so nice, helped him not to go too much with Anna Deal. Your

Aunt Mat was head nurse, at one of the hospitals at that time. She was later head nurse of Vanderbilt and the City Hospital too in

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Nashville. Your dad was young and gay, so after 2 years it was decided he was to come to Memphis where he wouldn't be with Violet and people he knew like her. So he completed his medical school at Memphis, also took State Board and received his license there in Memphis too.

This now is the summer of 1913 – I met your dad at the nurse's home at John Gaston (then known as the City Hospital). He was going with other girls and I was having dates with others. I graduated on May 8 of 1913 – 13 of us girls and we graduated at the Medical College. Later John Gaston graduates belonged to UT Alumni and of course we who graduated before that too were UT alumni members.

John Gaston actually gave their nurses and still does the best training because we were free to do for all the patients and in the private institutions, there were private nurses in attendance under private doctors. The first operation on the

he *Moran Place Cobb and Nichols Baseball Team*

Dresden, TN

operation. John was night supervisor of nurses, at the time and that was my right to be in charge of operations, even

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DR. MAX GOLTMAN, MEMPHIS, TENN.

saw them fighting. Mrs. K and I ran in and the Supt. and interns ran out. One of the doctors had left a hemostat (an instrument that you catch a blood vessel with it) was left in abdomen and closed up in there. Later

SATURDAY, MAY 2, 1959

one of the doctors operated and found the hemostat. He told it to patient and that was why the fight between these surgeons on the front walk in front of the old City Hospital, now John Gaston.

[Dr. William E. Vaughn b. 1872 d. 12 Feb 1939; Dr. Maximillian Goltman b. 24 May 1867 d. 17 Jun 1933; Dr. Percy Walthall Toombs b. 5 Aug 1880 d. 3 Jan 1933]

Those were days of youth, dreams of the future, the learning of many things, completely different of course to any thing I had ever known before. There were nurses who were moral and good in every way, then there were some who were cheap and common. The same could be said of the interns and some who had wealth were spoiled and selfish, some who had earned their way fine and good yet, there were those who had opportunities given them by parents and were fine men. So, all individuals are free to choose the right or wrong things in life. god gives us that privilege, but the catch is, when we are awarded what we have sown.

66 Birthday

O'my, What a fine Birthday, it is my 66 birthday, all seems calm, have received slip from Frances during week, now its Sunday, May 3.

Well, I just must go to church and Sunday School. Going to church gives me a real lift, and I feel all let down if I don't. So early, Richard, Laura, Helen and Johnny called on phone to sing "Happy Birthday". I felt happy but lonely – Your dad, had his chickens, calves and other outside affairs to look after so, as you know, he doesn't converse with others very much. He had said on Saturday, he would take me to dinner in Memphis and gave me some money to get what I wanted to. So I got house in order, put in some fresh red roses (the roses bloomed red early this year) those roses were in remembrance of my mamma, she gave me

MONDAY, MAY 4, 1959

red roses, on my birthday just before she became ill and was laid away on May 30. Then I dressed for Sunday School and Church, saw Richard and family again. They were the only ones of the six children there. Walter and Dorothy with their family moved membership to Munford Baptist Mission. You and Margaret and some times Frances would be there so, honestly and truly, I just plan miss you and the ones gone.

After church, Richard said, so Dad is taking you out to eat, as usual he would say be careful on highway and we all will see you later on. Your dad met me, he still had on blue shirt, he was supposed to put on white shirt and be ready but when we got home, he said he had to see someone at the office at 12:30 so, of course, that was OK as he often did that, any time, so I waited.

So when 12:30 did

TUESDAY, MAY 5, 1959

come, I looked out and low and behold the whole bunch except, you and Norris, Frances and her family – they had food, even tea and ice, a cake with candles. Well, it was just wonderful and now, the years are creeping up, I felt they had not been in vain. We had a fine family of six children, and they are fine in character and God had His part in it for all the years I've lived close to Him for I feel all comes from Him that is good.

We missed you all in Knoxville and wished you could have been here with us too.

All their families are good and fine too and we are so very happy and proud to have such a nice family.

More About Mary France & Elbert Royal

Well, now back to the first years. As you see I stop and put things that happen now in to our scrambled. I should have told you after the doctor

WEDNESDAY, MAY 6, 1959

left the instrument in patient's abdomen and later was found by another doctor when he operated to find out what was wrong, I can imagine that a hemostat in your abdomen would feel terrible. Any way, that was the beginning of the nurse who handled instruments, sponges, dressings and other things had to give a complete account of all things used which is right for sponges have been found and other things too. Medicine and surgery has made much progress.

Now, back to Baptist Hospital where I met your dad the second time when he paid attention to me. He wanted to take me to a show, open air show, with seats and sky above.

Everybody in that day there were practically no automobiles, most people rode in street cars, buses they say today. I had an apartment with 5 other graduate nurses, all good women, some much older. Mother Logan and Miss Susie Hallie –

THURSDAY, MAY 7, 1959

who had been my head nurse while I was in training – Miss Snider, Miss Numally and Maude McGregor. We lived at 14 N Claybrook had 3 bedrooms, big hall and kitchen used what we called the parlor downstairs. People were much more refined then today so unless a place was bad, it was sure conducted in the right way. Of course, today there more people. I had the date with your dad and knew Dr. Warde and Dr Tabb both wrote me a letter every day, so his first object was to see if he could get rid of them – that is, I would. He was a love maker to all the girls but he told me I was the one girl in all the world so I wrote the others after I was engaged to your dad. I always have and always will be here, love making and romance is a something reverent and has dignity – meaning and speaking the truth where one gets married, it should be with honor and dignity and deep respect

FRIDAY, MAY 8, 1959

for each other. Dr. Tabb came to Memphis and wanted me to go back with him and Dr. Warde wanted me to marry him then. Choosing a husband or wife or choosing anything in life is always a chance for any thing, maybe mostly the unexpected – or the coming true of dreams of life or maybe just about anything goes wrong in one way or another. Well the days went along – I was 20 May 3 and married your dad, Oct 12, 1913. He was 24, Oct 20. We were married at 14 North Claybrook St in Memphis just after church by Dr. J. L. Webber



The original Memphis General Hospital opening in 1829, was on Union Avenue, and was owned by the State of Tennessee. During the Civil War, it became a military hospital. Afterwards, Tennessee gave ownership of the building to the city of Memphis and the hospital was re-named "City Hospital". In 1898 the "City Hospital" pictured in the postcards was built on Madison Avenue and the old hospital building was demolished. The grounds of that old building are now the site of Forrest Park.

and precious memories. I can always picture my mamma laughing and happy. She was a wonderful woman. She was kind sympathetic, generous and loved people – always trying to help some one and whatever she did, it was in the spirit of Christ, that spirit is one of justice, faith and hope.

Then after we had breakfast, your dad and I, I prepared for the noon meal as Elbert Jr and his family were coming to eat. The telephone rang – it was long distance and who, but our baby girl, Nancy, and it was so good to hear your sweet voice, first year you had been away on Mother's Day. Norris sounded good and we just wished you two could have been home. Margaret and Tom too, came and had dinner with us at 1 o'clock. The others came by later on. Frances and her family and you two

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were the only ones missing...

Next a long distance call from our girl, Frances – the first of our six children. She is and always was so very happy, and real blonde baby, with almost no hair and laughing with glee. She was a big part of my life and hears. I was 21 when she arrived – July 26, 1914 – Then and on through the years, she grew along side me and helped us so much. We shared much together and so on this day we wished for all of you together in love, peace, forgiving and kind. I love gentle kind and forgiving hearts, filled with mercy and justice toward all things, for God made them all and us too.

Back to Mary Frances and Elbert Royal

TUESDAY, MAY 12, 1959

Back to the year I met your dad and later married him, Oct 12, 1913 by Dr. J. L. Webber, pastor of Madison Heights Methodist Church on Claybrook St, Memphis, Tenn. in the presence of Dr. Geo. Holcomb, Miss. Maude McGregor, Mr. & Mrs. Wm McDermott and Miss Annie Logan.

We lived near Baptist Hospital in a 2 room apartment, until the next year. My mother stayed with us when Frances arrived. Dr. Frank Graham delivered her that was the last year of your dad's education. We lived about 6 months on Mallory Ave, next to Mamma and Papa. Bill and Walter, after finishing school, we moved to the lake, I mean Reelfoot but I should tell you about our first visit to his home and your dad's in Kenton, Tenn. I had met your Uncle Walter Nichols before Frances was born. He came to Memphis to buy a car and went to an auto

WEDNESDAY, MAY 13, 1959

show, bought a red Buick car. He was very nice and told me I was his sister and he would always be my brother and I found him to be just that, all the years after, until his death in Clear Water Florida. He was a lawyer and was in court. His heart was bad and he had high blood pressure, so he felt the attack and asked the judge for a recess, the judge said proceed with the case and he died right there. So we never knew the judge but he sure used poor judgement, Walter might have had some more years to live had he been a man of real judgement.

THURSDAY, MAY 14, 1959

Today, is Friday, Oct. 28, 1960. I told you in the very

beginning, this book would be full of this, that, and what not and certainly not in order or with out system. Its a beautiful day here in Munford, where we have lived 21 years, will be 22 years, July 7, 1961. We built this clapboard house on 5 acres of ground, we bought with money left by my father and mother, Wm T. and Alice Dodson Piercy.

Visiting Family

First, let me say, we are just back from a trip spent the first two days with your Aunt Mat and Effie and from their home in Florence, Ala, we drove, Oct. 19, to Knoxville, Tenn. to spend your dad's 71st birthday, Oct. 20, with our two daughters and their families at Knoxville, Tenn. We arrived there from Florence about 4:30 pm after driving all day through central Tennessee from Florence. We went straight to 2nd Presbyterian Church on Kingston Pike, where Nancy,

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our youngest child, has worked some giving (?) to Knoxville, as church secretary to Rev. McClure.

We drove back to her house at 3965 Greenleaf to spend night. That night, Frances, Lake and Glenda came to see us and Norris, Nancy's husband, came in from his work as engineer at Alcoa. Glenda was moving into dorm at UT and they had decided it too far to drive back



and forth from home at 5320 Brazelton Rd in Ft. City. Glenda was in her 1st year of college at UT.

David, our grandson, and son of Walter and Dorothy too is in college at UT Martin, Tenn. He is a good boy and also a good student.

Norris accompanied your dad to a UT Football game at Knoxville, while you, Nancy, with Frances drove to the mts by way of Maryville. It was a wonderful trip and my heart was happy to be with two of my daughters again. Missed our "Little Maggie" the spark of life.

SATURDAY,

MAY 16, 1959

We saw 17 bears and got into a traffic jam coming down out of mts. to Gatlinburg – too, you and Frances walked to ramp on

highest part of mt. to the N. Carolina side. I didn't go but a short ways – how I hope some day to walk that ramp and see the wonderful view from the highest part of mt. there. I really enjoyed the trip and it was after dark when we arrived in Knoxville due to the large crowd making a jam in traffic, who like we wanted to view the mts and see the lovely and beautiful leaves of autumn, mangled with the evergreens there. The men of our family were getting anxious about us



Present day house at 3965 Greenleaf, Knoxville

but they knew what a jam like that in mts could delay you too.

SUNDAY, MAY 17, 1959

We had a wonderful trip to Knoxville and made it home ok, leaving at 5 am we reached home by 2:30 pm.

Always wonderful to visit our children and appreciate all the

kindness and everything shown us – just good to be with you and see you for we love each one of you dearly and pray that good comes to each one. Knoxville and the country about so beautiful there the mountains so quiet and still and you feel the presence of God all about you and so near to Him some how in the beautiful mountains. There with running streams and beautiful trees and flowers and the wonderful mountains all about you.



Present day house at 5320 Brazelton Rd, Knoxville, TN

Visiting Miss Sallie

WEDNESDAY, MAY 20, 1959

Seems hard for me with lots of nurse (?) and all to write so, I am taking advantage of it all. Maybe again tomorrow night they will go again. Margaret took me to see Miss. Sallie. She is sitting up and doing fine – I'm so glad – no better woman ever lived. The night was never too bad or dark for her to help a person in need of her when she could go. So that's just wonderful. We need more good and unselfish people like her in our world. Then people would show each other more respect and understanding. I'm glad I can say never once in my life have I ever tired to hurt anyone if I ever did, I sure never meant to. God is so good. Good night.

Visit to Memphis

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 3, 1959

Went to Memphis with Giles and Harrolee Starnes, who are our friends here in Munford since we moved here 22 years ago from Memphis, July 7. Harrolee had her foot operated on and was going to get it dressed and her hair fixed. I went by



Norris and Nancy's Visit

Cossitt Library Memphis, TN

**WEDNESDAY, JUNE 6, 1959**

Norris and Nancy came home from Knoxville for a week's visit. It's wonderful to have your children come home. You two did well and Snoopy (the cat). As you of course know, all of us had a good time too. Betty Sue and her three boys came to visit Norris' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Obie Gross so that they could be with all his family, all our family were home, including Frances and Lake and Glenda. Mark came up from Knoxville to report, La to take Betty and children home.

June 13, 1960 – Norris and Nancy come home from Knoxville after exams and next morning left Memphis with Margaret for Fort Worth, Texas. They were driving in a new Comet car.

*Junior and Lake's trip to New York***WEDNESDAY, MAY 21, 1959**

Mary Nichols marked out year and wrote 1963]

Norris came to Elbert Jr.'s house to stay with Marilyn and Nancy while Jr. and Lake went by plane to New York to attend an insurance convention, Jr. won trip with all expenses paid after selling a big amount of insurance.

Norris stayed in Memphis so that they could go to school, Jim and Janet stayed with their other grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Heath at Rector Ark. Friday after school Marilyn and Nancy C. came out to Munford with me and we went to church and

later Sunday, we met the plane after stopping at the zoo for a look at the animals which I do enjoy too.

The plane was more than one hour late, after having engine trouble at Washington, DC. Your dad enjoyed his visit at the zoo by just staying close to the monkeys, they really put on some shows all on their own.

Miscellaneous Entries

MONDAY, MAY 18, 1959

[Mary Nichols marked out date and wrote Sat. August 24, '63, 3:30 pm]

Well dear Nancy a few years have slipped by since I started to try to tell you so much. I'd so like to tell you but all kinds of things have come along. Jeff was born 13th April 1962. I went up there to try to help you get started with your first, I'll admin, I felt I'd nearly started over again too.

Last Saturday, I was at your house and we had a nice short visit there. M and Tom took me in car, they ask your dad but as you know he just rather stay home then go and stay but a short time. It was good to see you, Jeff and Norris and share our time with your sister Frances, Lake and Glenda. Had recent (?) letter from her today, they are visiting in Jacksonville, Fla, Jim, David's parents, taking Glenda for a visit till Jim goes to dental school soon.

Jeff is a wonderful boy and I know you are proud of him and you all are good parents.

TUESDAY, MAY 19, 1959

[Mary Nichols marked out date and wrote Feb 21, 1964]

It's now 9:45 pm Friday night and tomorrow is George W's birthday and Marilyn Nichols too.

Your dad, Margaret and Tom went with Richard, Helen and Laura Lee to Ripley to see Munford play Brownsville, who beat Somerville last night and Covington plays Brighton so the winners play in finals tomorrow night in Boy's basketball district tournament.

I stayed here last night and tonight but it was fine. I like to be quiet and am thinking of you all and so much other things that memories bring back.

Jeff will be 2 years old 13 of April and in May we have another sweet baby.

FRIDAY, JULY 3, 1959

Margaret, Steve, your dad and I went fishing at Williams' lake at Mason. We had a real nice day at the lake.

SUNDAY, JULY 5, 1959

3 years ago today had left breast removed at Baptist Hospital. [Grandmother had breast cancer.]

MONDAY, JULY 6, 1959

Richard and I went to Hinds Chapel today.

TUESDAY, JULY 7, 1959

Moved to Munford from Memphis 22 years ago today. Nancy would be 6 months old on 16 July. She is now 22. Her birthday (Jan 16, 1959). Time goes on – I'll write about this more. I have some space I must fill in before I write this...

THURSDAY, JULY 16, 1959

Sat. 7 o'clock am Walter P., my brother, left from Grand Central Station, by train for Quincy, Ill after a visit of 30 days, which we all enjoyed. Frances and family came too, just after 4th July and spent a week which was far too short.

You don't know, but in our family are some, I won't say which but if they read this they will know, first are a severe critic - has really a mean heart and will hurt you yet act real good - what I've had to forgive, for I was told and warned many years ago. So, to have those around you to talk with and in a kindly way - make a tiny difference, so much, that I think sometimes death would be a relief - rather than have someone whose people were sure not angels, yet, criticizes our family

FRIDAY, JULY 17, 1959

in the bitterest terms, I pray God forgive a soul so cruel -- The time has gone on and its later I sure can forgive. I have lots to forgive - I try not to offend, yet, there are people. But, when we think, Jesus was crucified on the cross He was perfect, they I realize me, so little, I humbly bow my head and know all I can ever be is through Christ our Lord.

SUNDAY, JULY 26, 1959

45 years ago today at 2:30 am, Mary Frances, our first baby, arrived.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 1, 1959

Eddy Waxler married Barbara Klenk tonight at Millington.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 2, 1959

Beverly Fletcher and Jimmy Smith were married at 6 pm. Margaret and Tom [not sure what this is... Mom and Dad were married in June.]

FRIDAY, AUGUST 14, 1959

Elbert and Ladye Frances, Nancy C., Jim and Janet came by for your dad and I to go with them to Reelfoot Lake for the day. We were supposed to be ready by 8 am and they arrived by 10. That as you know is a standing joke that they very seldom arrive on time. We didn't ask why – it started raining and we ran into showers, all the way up there – some spots were dry, while others were really wet. We went to Tiptonville and turned right. I believe it was Route 21 and drove to Samburyand back to Boyettes, one of the places that feed found (?) style along the Lake shore. had a nice day there and enjoyed it lots.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 1959

Today papa would be 106 yrs old. He was born Sept. 15, 1853.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 21, 1959

Helen's Birthday

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 1959

Walter Piercy had hernia operation at VA Hospital, Iona City, Tenn. (?) Read a telegram from him about 3 pm, saying that he had operation and was fine.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 1959

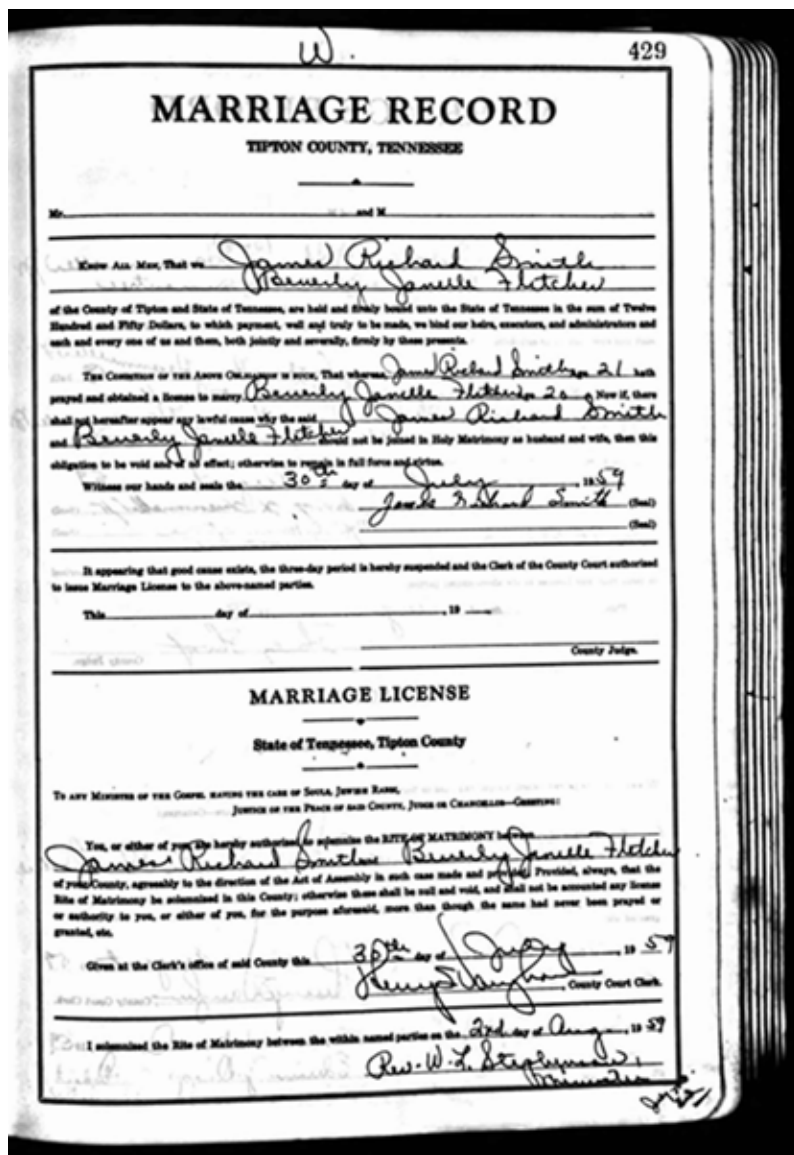
Bryan Nichols is 6 yrs old today.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 7, 1959

Today our youngest son, Richard, is 36 years old - born Dec. 7, 1923.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 22, 1959

Margaret, our 2nd daughter, 25 yrs old today, born 1934.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 23, 1959

Walter Piercy, my brother, is 61 today – born Dec 23, 1898.

Photo Gallery





*Grandfather with his cows. (Dr.
Elbert Royal Nichols, Sr.)*



Dr. Elbert Royal Nichols, Sr.

(bottom) Grandfather with his first two grandchildren (top right) Uncle Lake, Glenda and Grandfather making ice cream



*(top left) Glenda Howard Rice and Elbert Royal Nichols
(middle) E R Nichols with Mary Frances Nichols on horse
(bottom) E. R. Nichols at Vanderbilt University*



Monkey Island at the Memphis Zoo



(top right) Grandfather
and Frances (middle)
Grandfather's matriculation
card (bottom) Grandfather's
graduating class at Vanderbilt
University

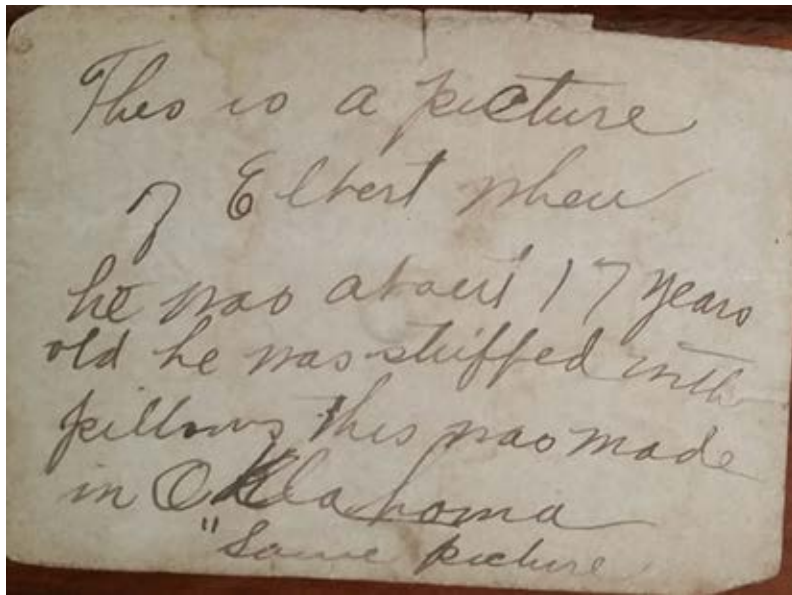


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Civil Dis.	1		Primary Registration District No.	801
Village	Millington		City	Memphis, Tenn.
City	Memphis, Tenn.		St.	Ward
Length of residence in city or town when death occurred			(If death occurred in a hospital or institution, give the NAME instead of city and ward)	
2. FULL NAME <u>Hugh S. Rogers</u>			3. How long in U. S. if of foreign birth	
(a) Residence: No. <u>Acorn</u> St. <u>Acorn</u> Ward.			(If occupation give city and ward)	
PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS				
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Male	White	Married		
6a. If married, widowed, or divorced		6b. If married, give name of spouse		
HUSBAND of		WIFE of <u>Madeline Rogers</u>		
6. DATE OF BIRTH (month, day, and year) <u>3/4/31</u>				
7. AGE	Years	Months	Days	IF LESS Than
69				1 day, 1 hr., 1 min.
8. Trade, profession, or occupation (kind of work done, as farmer, lawyer, bookkeeper, etc.)				
Farming				
9. Industry or business in which work was done, as silk mill, saw mill, bank, etc.				
Farming				
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21. DATE OF DEATH (month, day, and year)				
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22. I HEREBY CERTIFY, That I attended deceased from				
12.21. to 3/4				
I last saw deceased alive on 3/4				
to have occurred on the date stated above, at 2 P.M.				
The principal cause of death and related causes of importance in its history:				
Chronic Interstitial Nephritis				
Contributory causes of importance not related to principal cause:				
Smoking				
Name of physician				
Date of death				
What test confirmed diagnosis				
Was there an autopsy				
23. If death was due to external causes (violence) fill in also the Accident, suicide, or homicide				
Date of injury				
Where did injury occur?				
Specify whether injury occurred in industry, in home, or in public place				
Manner of injury				
Nature of injury				
24. The physician's signature				



Grandfather with Aunt Frances in his lap. A friend was driving the carriage.

Uncle Walter, Uncle Elbert, Aunt Frances, Uncle Richard in buggy, and Grandfather



Grandfather when he was about 17 years old (around 1906). He was stuffed with pillows. The picture was made in Oklahoma



Grandfather and Aunt Frances



Elbert Royal Nichols Sr.



Grandmother's and Grandfather's headstone





(bottom) Grandfather's, Elbert Royal Nichols Sr., childhood home. The house burned down and grandfather always thought he caused the fire because he was sneaking a smoke in his room. (top & middle) Mary Frances Piercy Nichols



(top) Mary Frances Piercy Nichols, Grandmother, Margaret Nichols, and Nancy Nichols



Nancy, Mary Frances (grandmother), Frances, and Margaret



(above) Grandmother (bottom left) Grandmother, Uncle Lake and Aunt France



Grandmother with Glenda and David



Uncle Elbert, Grandmother and Scrappy, the dog



(above) Grandmother and Aunt Frances with the moma and baby pigs (bottom) Grandmother with her friends drying their hair





Uncle Elbert and Grandmother



Grandmother, Nannie, and Grandfather

Uncle Elbert and Grandmother





*Grandmother with Aunt Frances, Uncle Elbert and Uncle Walter
(1920)*

*Grandmother license to
operate a motor vehicle in
the city of Memphis. She
had been to see her Papa
and Mama and hit some
curb or thing - she had the
four kids in the car, and
they whooped and hollared
so with that, she hung it up
and never drove again...*



Grandmother, Uncle Richard and Aunt Helen



Grandmother, Uncle Walter, Aunt Frances and Uncle Elbert



Uncle Richard, Elbert Sr. and Mary Frances

Mom would have been 7 years old and Nancy about 5 years old and Glenda was a baby. This was during WW2. Our country needed cotton so that was why we grew cotton in the field by the side of the house.



Nannie, Grandmother, Mom and Glenda (dog is Scrappy) They were in their cotton pick'n clothes. The government hired them to grow cotton.



Grandmother - She was about 19 and a student in nursing school at UT in Memphis.



(top) Elbert Sr and Mary Frances with the grandchildren (bottom) Elbert Jr., Elbert Sr., Walter, Mary Frances, Richard, Frances, Margaret, and Nancy - two grandchildren walking towards them





(top) Grandmother was washing Uncle Walter's face for the picture and he was having none of it! Aunt Frances and Uncle Elbert on right. The others are friends. (bottom) Grandmother and Aunt Frances (right) Nannie, Glenda, Grandmother, David and Mom





(top left) Grandmother - Mary Frances Piercy Nichols, Uncle Norris - Obie Norris Gross, and Mom - Margaret Alice Nichols Williams (top right) Grandmother, Nannie - Nancy Anne Nichols Gross and Mom (bottom left) Mom and Grandmother (bottom right) Grandmother and Jeffery Norris Gross



(above) Aunt Frances, Grandfather, Mom, Franklin, Nannie, and Jeff (below) Uncle Lake, Grandfather, Franklin, Dad, Uncle Norris, and Jeff





Elbert Sr. and Mary Frances



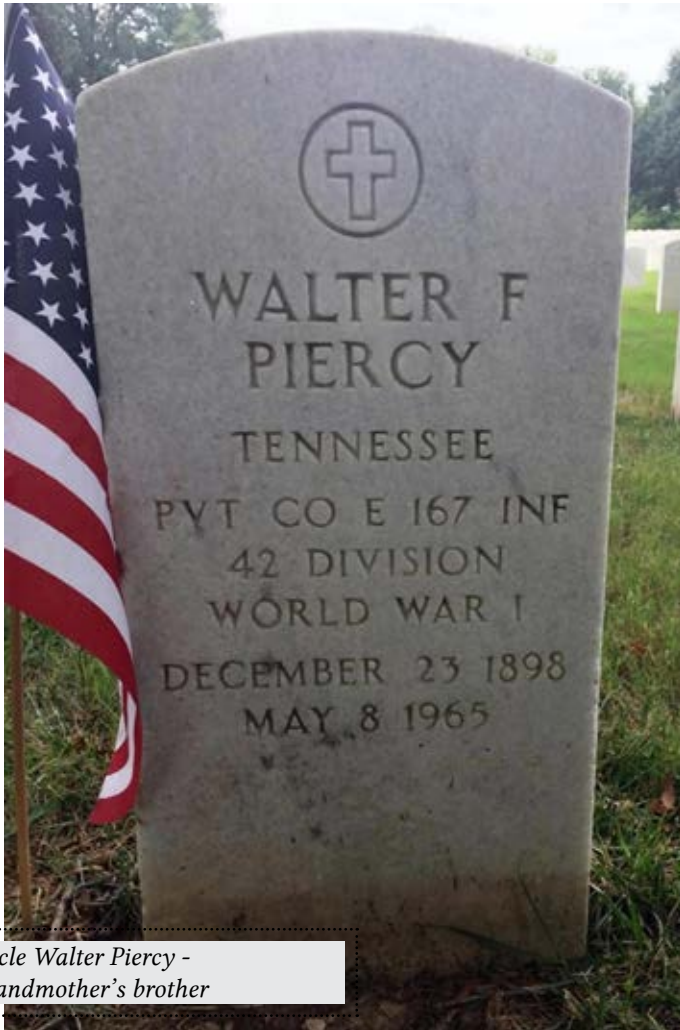
Mary Frances, Frances, Elbert Sr., Margaret, Nancy, Elbert Jr., Walter, Richard and Scrappy



Uncle Walter Nichols







*Uncle Walter Piercy -
Grandmother's brother*



(above) Uncle Walter Piercy, Aunt Helen and Uncle Richard



Aunt Alice Piercy, Uncle Bill (Ed's dad), Aunt Willie, Annie Mae, Gene, and Mary Ruth

Aunt Ora - Grandfather's sister



*Laura Bonnie Brown
Hampton - Daughter of
Ross and Mary Brown*

*Edward Duke Piercy
(Cousin Ed b. 1933)*





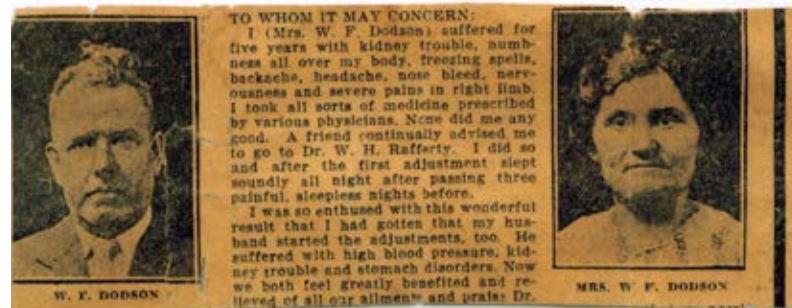
*Bessie Gertrude Wooten
Dodson - She is a cousin.
Wife of William Franklin
Dodson. They owned a
grocery store in Memphis*



*William Franklin Dodson, son of
Thomas C and Ellen Myers Dodson.
Thomas was the brother of Valentine
T Dodson. Grocery store owner in
Memphis*

William Franklin Dodson 5-1874 to 3-14-34 spouse Bessie Gertrude Wooton 4-28-1884 to 6-15-41. Married about 1905 in Rosston, Nevada Co., AR. They owned a grocery store and rented rooms upstairs to Frisco railroad workers at 1971 Airways Blvd. in Memphis, TN. Both are buried at Forest Hill Cemetery on Elvis Presley Blvd. in Memphis. They had three children:

- 1. Franklin Earl Dodson 6-18-11 in Memphis to 7-28-90 in San Diego. He is buried at Fort Rosecrans Military Cemetery in San Diego, CA. He was a local delivery truck driver in Memphis. Spouse: Grace Anita Stewart 4-17-17 in Monett, MO to 9-20-97 in Orlando, FL. She was a LPN at Methodist Hospital in Memphis. They were married about 1936 and had three sons...*
- 2. Gladys Maree (Dodson) Welch 3-5-16 in Memphis to 10-5-89 in Ormond Beach, FL. First spouse was Guyton Otho Welch? Married 8-18-31 in Marion, AR. They had one child... Gladys's second spouse was William Thomas Rafferty 10-23-06 in Indianapolis, IN to 4-12-97 in Memphis. They were married on 9-1-39 in Memphis. They had one child...*
- 3. Lecy Ellen (Dodson) Greer 9-17-17 in Memphis. First spouse William Artemus Greer 7-3-16 in Covington, TN to 9-28-69 in Memphis. They had two children... Lecy's second spouse is Gilbert Jackson 6-23-30 in Memphis. They were married 6-4-75 in Memphis and celebrated their 25th anniversary in 2000.*



Pastor Earl Pritchard and family, who served the church from 1953-1963. Grandmother really liked this preacher although he did not preach at her church. They did attend Bible Study together. (There was also a Gross on the founders log.) Photo courtesy of Bill and Dorothy Valentine Williams



*Mildred McPeak (Aunt
Callie's granddaughter)*



*Mary Frances Nichols
Howard (Aunt Frances)*



Harold Lamphere and Martha T Nichols Lamphere with Skippy



Glenda, Aunt Frances and Mom



Aunt Frances

Aunt Nannie and Aunt Frances - it looks like they are at the Williams' farm. (the old pond)



*John Timberlake Howard Sr.,
Uncle Lake's dad*



*Uncle Lake and his mom,
Sadie Rogers Howard*



*Aunt Frances, Uncle Elbert, Uncle Walter and
Uncle Richard*



Aunt Frances



*Uncle Lake and Aunt Frances
with a cow*



Aunt Frances and Uncle Lake on their wedding day



Aunt Frances and Uncle Lake



Uncle Lake



Glenda Howard Rice



Uncle Lake & Uncle Richard

*Uncle Lake & Aunt
Frances*

*(John Timberlake
Howard & Mary
Frances Nichols
Howard)*



Uncle Elbert



Uncle Elbert and Virginia



Uncle Elbert (Junior)



Nancy Carol, Marilyn and Jim. It was made the Easter Janet was born. (Uncle Elbert's children with Ladye Frances)



Elbert Royal Nichols, Jr.



Uncle Elbert





Elbert Royal Nichols, Jr.



Uncle Elbert



Virginia E and Jerry Lynn Nichols - Uncle Elbert's wife and son



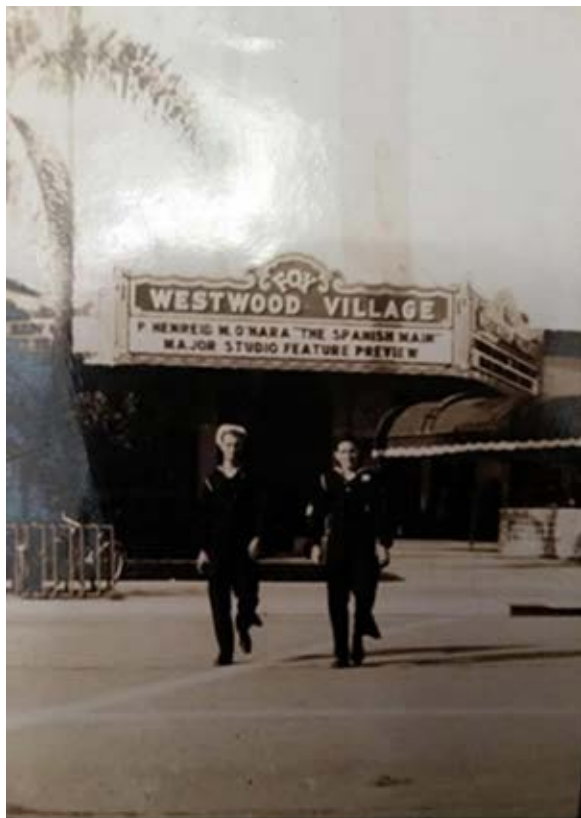
*Ladye Frances Heath Nichols -
Uncle Elbert's wife*



Uncle Elbert



Uncle Walter in the Navy with a friend



Uncle Walter & Friend

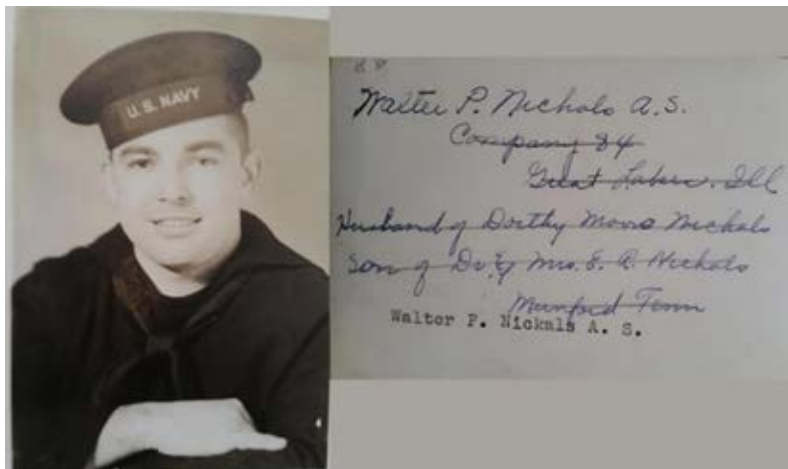


Uncle Walter



Uncle Walter playing golf

Uncle Walter and Aunt Dorothy





(top left) Frances C Moore oldest daughter to William Bryan Moore and Archie Lee Davidson Moore (top right) William Norma Moore, youngest daughter of William Bryan Moore and Archie Lee Davidson Moore. She was the sister of Aunt Dorothy. She died at the age of 14.



Uncle Walter, David Elbert, Richard Steven "Stevie", and Walter Byran Nichols



*Aunt Dorothy
(Dorothy Zelle
Moore Nichols)*



*Uncle Walter with a
bunch of girls*





On left William Bryan Moore & wife, Archie Lee Davidson Moore, with friends



William Bryan Moore, Aunt Dorothy's father



Archie Lee Davidson Moore, Aunt Dorothy's mother



Bryan Nichols, Frances Moore and Julian Carr

Julian Carr, Frances Moore Carr and Bryan Nichols - Julian was Frances' second husband





Uncle Richard



Uncle Richard



Aunt Helen and Uncle Richard



Aunt Helen

Uncle Richard with a friend



Uncle Richard, Uncle Walter, and Uncle Elbert



Uncle Richard with friends



Uncle Richard holding his kitten



Uncle Richard holding Mom



Dr. John Richard "Johnny" Nichols



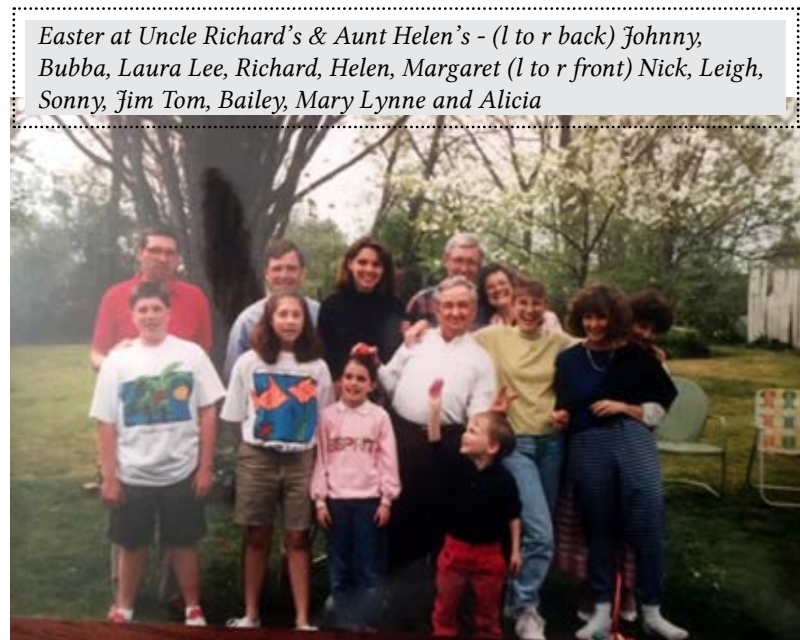


Aunt Helen and Uncle Richard

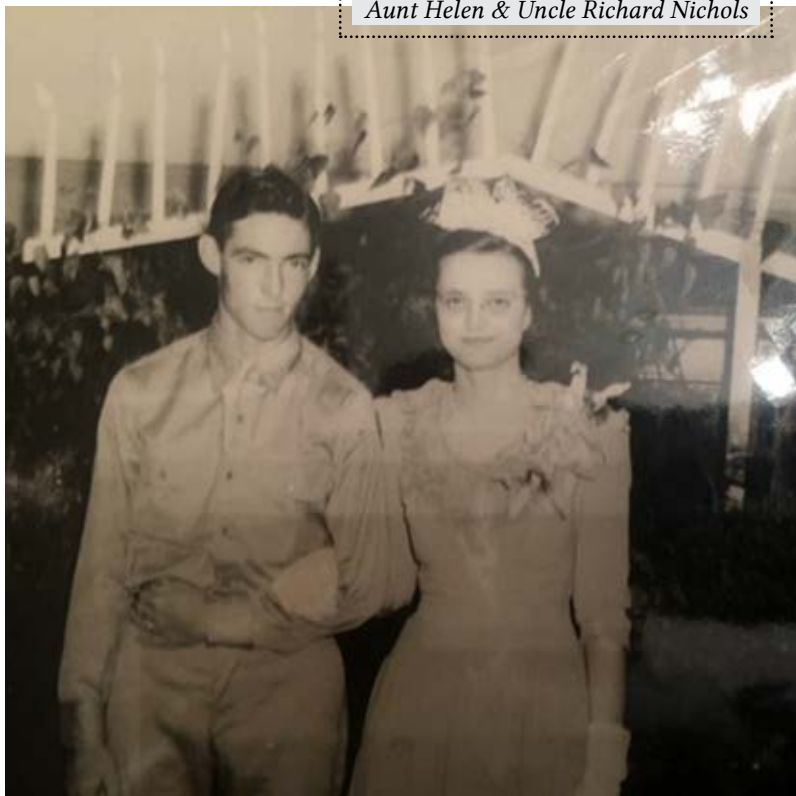




Dr. John Richard "Johnny" Nichols



Easter at Uncle Richard's & Aunt Helen's - (l to r back) Johnny, Bubba, Laura Lee, Richard, Helen, Margaret (l to r front) Nick, Leigh, Sonny, Jim Tom, Bailey, Mary Lynne and Alicia



Aunt Helen & Uncle Richard Nichols



Uncle Richard Nichols



Uncle Richard's and Aunt Helen's Wedding

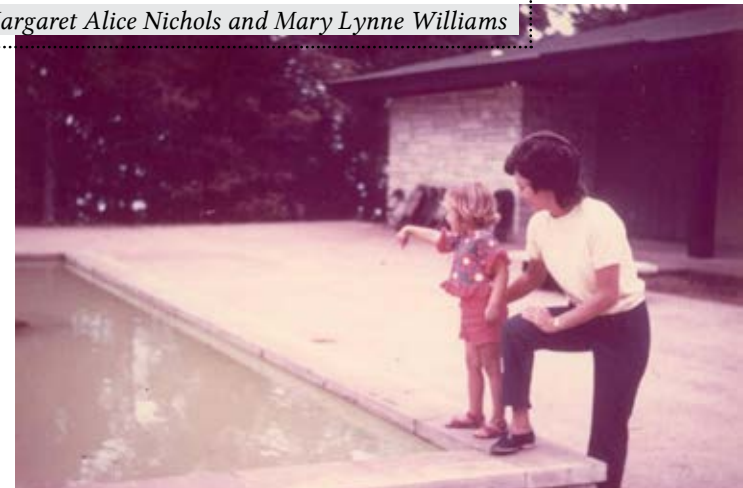
Mary Lynne Williams



Margaret Alice Nichols and Mary Lynne Williams



Margaret Alice Nichols and Mary Lynne Williams





Margaret Alice Nichols Williams



Margaret and Jeff

Margaret Alice Nichols



Margaret, Aunt Frances & Uncle Lake



Margaret with friends



Margaret Alice Nichols Williams



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Glenda, Margaret, Kerry, and Frances



Glenda, Kerry, Margaret and Tom



Margaret Alice Nichols Williams



Elbert Sr., Margaret and Mary Frances

Margaret Alice Nichols Williams



Margaret Alice Nichols Williams (I'm pretty sure she is sweeping the pasture, but she says it was the driveway.)



Margaret Alice Nichols Williams



Mom and Dad



Mom and Franklin



Mom, Uncle Lake and Glenda



Mom at MawMaw & PawPaw's - This is the old pond. You can see the old barn in the background.



(top) Mom and Dad (bottom) Mom at an Agrico Convention - Dad worked for Agrico



*Mom with Ginger
(Larry and John Tom's dog)*



Nannie, Aunt Frances, and Mom



Mom and Dad's 1st Christmas in New Jersey. 1956 This was mom's first Christmas away from home. They had just moved to NJ. (I have the bottom suitcase on the closet shelf!)

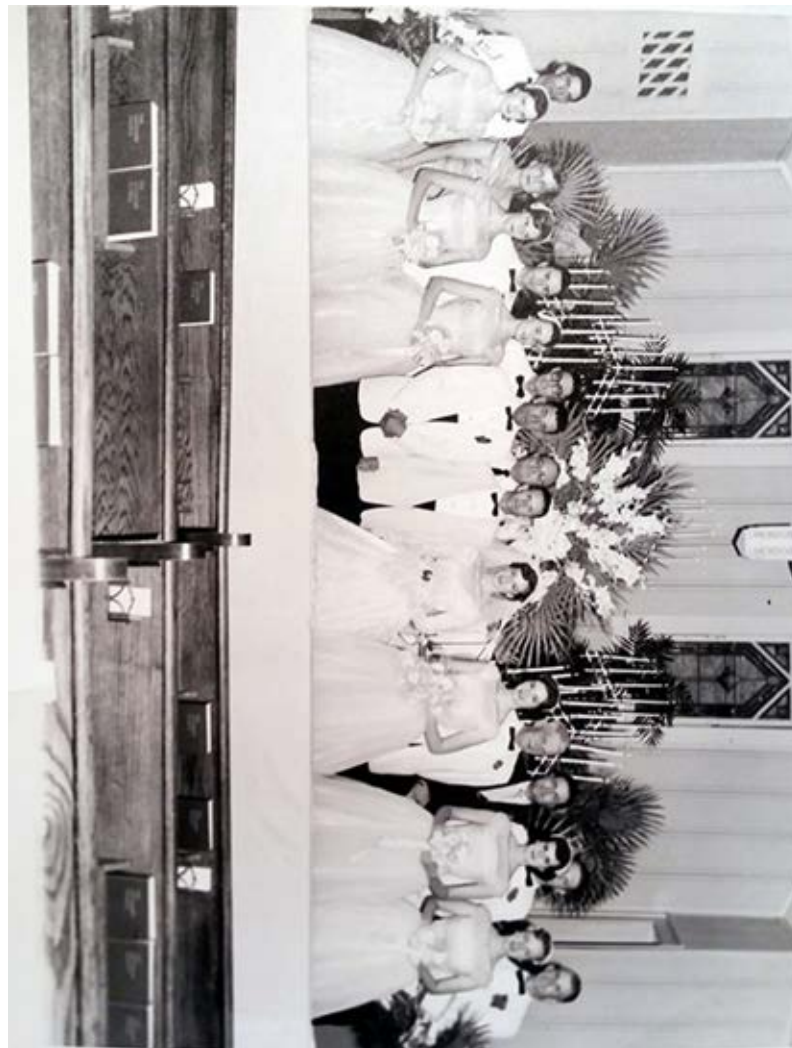


Margaret Williams





Tj & Lexie Williams, Jim Tom & Margaret Williams, and Mary & Elbert Nichols - Mom and Dad's Wedding Day



Mom & Dad's wedding party - Jerry Williams, Janie Murphy Waters, Francis Howard, Glenda Howard Rice, Scruggs, Janice Sloan Faulk, Richard Nichols, Tj Williams, Brother Davis, Tom Williams, Margaret Williams, Nancy Nichols Gross, E. R. Nichols, Shannon Faulkner, Jean Piercy, Lawrence Shore, Mary Ann Williams Russell, Jimmy Faulk



*Margaret Alice Nichols and friend
(8th Grade)*

*Margaret Alice Nichols
(8th Grade - sitting on the left with saddle oxfords on)*

Mom and Dad went to the Copacabana for their 1st anniversary. This is the cover of a pack of matches my mom saved!

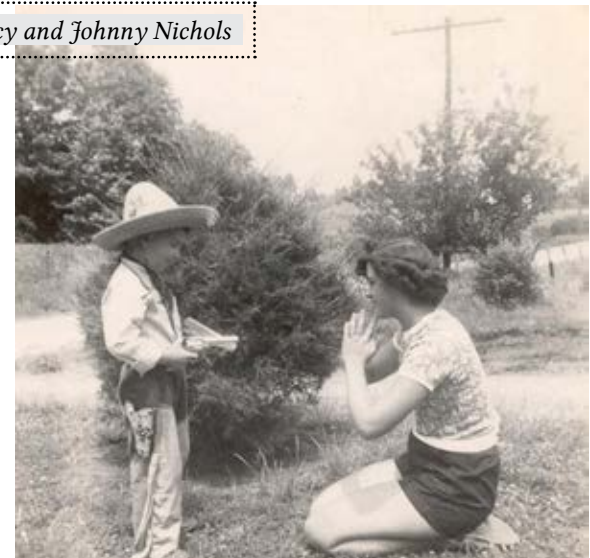


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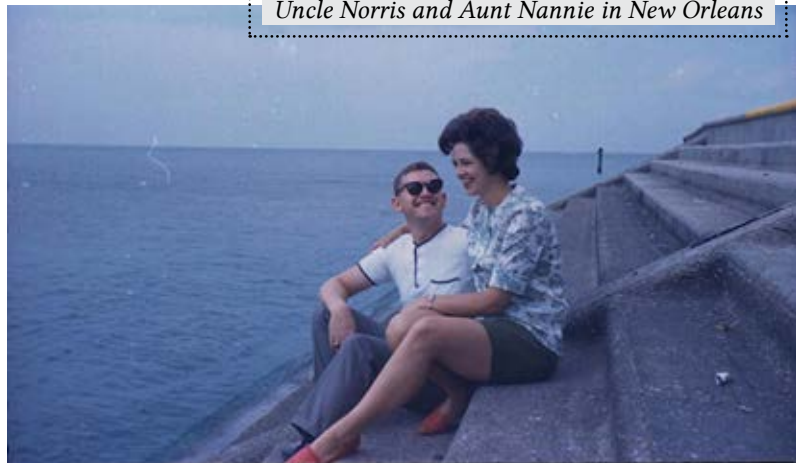


Nancy Anne Nichols Gross

Nancy and Johnny Nichols



Uncle Norris and Aunt Nannie in New Orleans



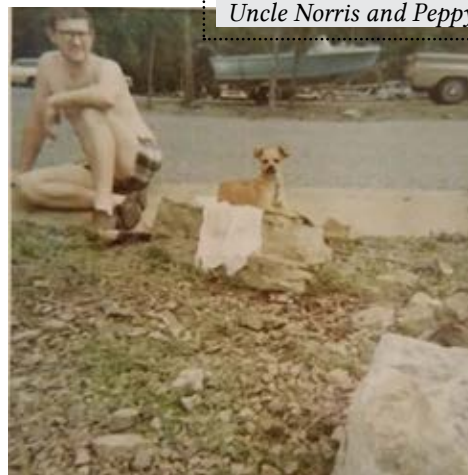
*Mom and Dad in New Orleans
(Jim Tom and Margaret Williams)*



Uncle Norris and Nannie at PawPaw & MawMaw's pond where dad, Jim Tom, lived before getting married.



Uncle Norris and Peppy at the lake



*Nancy Anne
Nichols Gross*



*Nancy Gross
and Frances
Howard -
Sisters*



Mary Lynne, Christy, Craig and Jeff





*Nancy Anne Nichols Gross
(before she was a Gross)*



Nancy Anne Nichols Gross



Franklin, Santa, Jeff and Mary Lynne

*Franklin, Mary
Lynne, Jeff and
Dad, Jim Tom, in
the background
- This looks like
the house on 5113
Fairbrook Ave,
Memphis, TN*



Franklin Thomas Gross



*Uncle Norris, Aunt
Nannie, Mom and
Franklin (fishing)*



Jeffery Norris Gross



Jeff and Franklin at the lake





**Franklin
Thomas Gross**

*I remember
one story when
Franklin was
very young.
He was in
second grade
at Harding
Academy -
White Station.
He decided he
didn't want to
be at school
any more so
he left! He
walked all
the way to
his Aunt
Margaret's
house which
was a few
miles from
the school.
Everyone was
upset and
scared that he*

*had done this! As a matter of fact, he did this two times! The second
time he left school because he didn't want to be there it was really hot.
A lady pulled over, picked him up and drove him home - no, he did
not know the lady!*



Jim Tom Williams - Love ya! Jim



**Jim Tom
Williams**

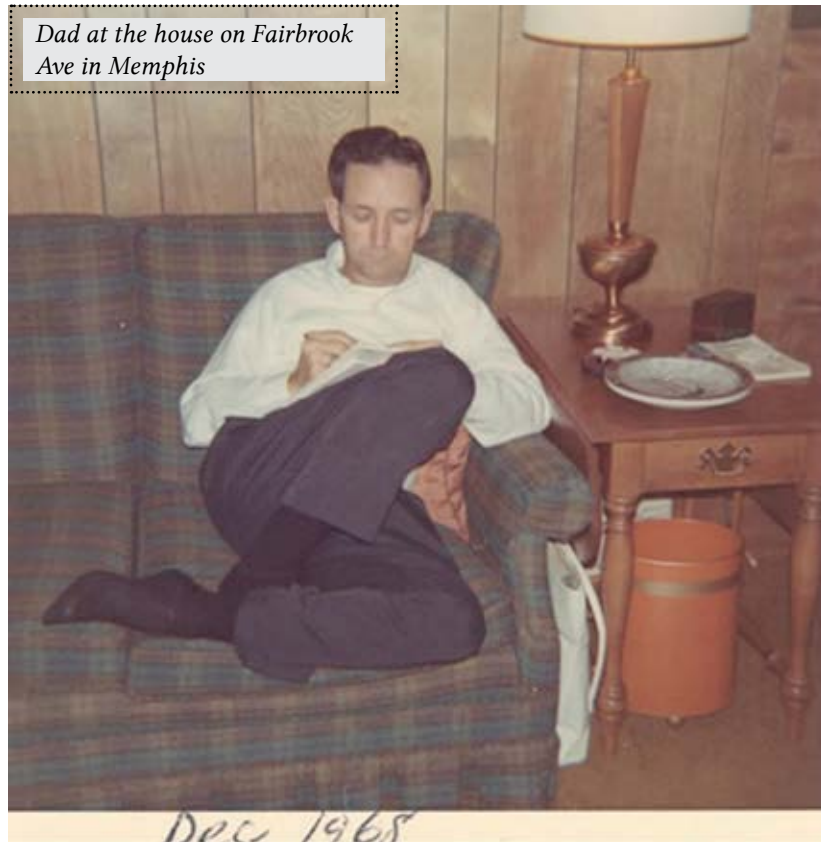
*- From the
things I've
heard about
Dad, he
got kicked
off the bus
quite often!
The bus
driver would
stop and
put him off.
Sometimes
he would
have to
walk home
and other
times a
teacher
would see
him and
give him a
ride home.*

Jim Tom





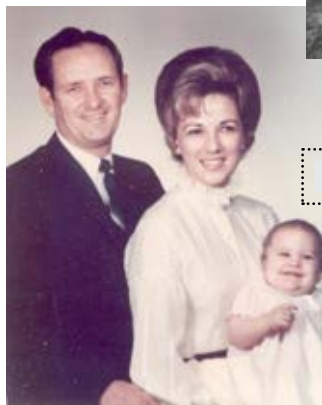
Mom & Dad



Dad at the house on Fairbrook Ave in Memphis



Dad and Uncle Norris at PawPaw's



Dad, Mom & Mary Lynne



Dad in front of the house at 5113 Fairbrook Ave in Memphis

Mom & Dad



Dad and Uncle Richard solving world problems! They really look like they are focused on something.



Mom and Dad at a costume party - looks like they had fun



PawPaw watching the guys dad worked with cleaning the birds from The Williams' Dove Hunt

Dad with his work friends cleaning birds at The Williams' Dove Hunt - Note the Amiben chemical can! Dad had something to do with the naming of this product.



Jim Tom, my dad, during the Korean War - He was stationed in Germany and was a clerk. They wanted him to go to officer's school but that would have meant two more years in the army so he declined.

Glenn, Dad and Mom at Christmas dinner in Mason. This looks like Aunt Helen Williams' house. By the look on Mom's face, Dad had done something bad!





Dad, Grandmother, and Grandfather



Dad, Grandmother, and Grandfather
Dad had done something bad (again) and Grandmother was fussing at him. He had his tongue stuck out!

Jim Tom Williams





Jim Tom Williams



Jim Tom Williams & Margaret Alice Nichols Williams

Dad while living in New Jersey



Jim Tom Williams & Margaret Alice Nichols Williams



Uncle Lake, Kerry, Dad, Mary Lynne and Tom in Knoxville, TN

Jim Tom & Margaret Williams Story

My family, just like every other family, has had its share of ups and downs. We have been through a lot together and we are stronger for those experiences. I am not the best writer by any means, but I would like to share the story of my dad's health issues. I hope you will see how God's grace and mercy has worked through our family; and how the memories we've shared would not have been possible without the donor family's faith in God and their ability to give in their time of grief.

I would first like to tell you how my mother and father met, mostly because I think it is funny, but also because it shows how God was at work in their lives before they were even friends. My mother and father were both from small towns in West Tennessee. Mom was from Munford and Dad was from Mason. If you've ever lived in a small town you already know that everyone knows everybody and everything - unlike a large city! This is how Mom and Dad started out knowing each other - the daughter of the town doctor and the son of a successful farmer.

Tom Williams @ UT Martin

Dad began college at UT Martin in 1949. He became a member of Alpha Gamma Rho and had lots of friends; however, he didn't date much - he already knew what he wanted! Dad had seen Mom play high school basketball and seen pictures of her in his hometown newspaper. Apparently, he fell in love immediately. Dad carried a picture of Mom in his wallet and he had her picture in his dorm room so before they had ever been "properly introduced" God had chosen them for each other.

Mom, on the other hand, dated several people before meeting Dad. One day a friend came back from UT Martin and told Mom, "I saw your picture in someone's dorm room." Mom

asked whose room it was, but her friend didn't know because Dad had not been in the dorm that day. Mom went on dating and did not think about what her friend had told her for some time. She began Nursing School at Baptist School of Nursing in Memphis during 1954.

Korean War

The Korean War had begun, and Dad was going to be deployed. He had been at UT Marin for two years. His degree would have to wait. He was going into the Army and would be shipped across seas but there was one thing Dad could not let wait, he had to ask mom out on a date. What if he did not get to come back? This just could not wait! Dad had had a crush on Mom for a long time, but he had never asked her out.

Mom and Dad's first date was the night before Dad was going to be shipped out. Since Dad had to get up early the next morning this was going to be a short date. Dad had to work fast if he was going to impress Mom! When Dad came to pick Mom up, he went to the door to get her and meet her family. When they were in the car, Dad gave Mom a present he had bought her. Dad did not follow the norm of giving flowers or candy. Dad was no average Joe! He had bought her a beautiful rhinestone necklace and bracelet! Mom did not know what to say about this, but she sure would not forget it. Today, she still has and treasures the two wonderful pieces.

Dad's time in the army went along with all the regular training such as boot camp. He was a clerk, but the army wanted more from him. They asked him to go to officers training school but that would mean two more years in the army... He declined their offer.

Mom and Dad continued their correspondence while he

was in the service. When he was honorably discharged, he returned home and entered UT Knoxville to finish up his last two years of college. By this time, Mom and Dad were only seeing each other and as often as possible. When he came home for Christmas break in 1955, Dad proposed to Mom with ring in hand! Of course, she said yes! Dad graduated in June of 1956, and on June 17, 1956, he and mom were married.

It is amazing to see how God's plan unfolded into a beautiful and lasting relationship. They were meant for each other from the beginning and God had more triumphs and tragedies in store for them as they moved through life together.

After marrying, dad worked on the farm with his dad, TJ, until he got a job with the US Public Health Service as a VD investigator. Mom and Dad moved to New York and remained there for a year. They then returned home, and he began working for International Harvester. Not too long after this Dad was offered a job with Agrico and, again, Mom and Dad moved away from home. They lived in Nashville for a time but were then transferred back to Memphis with Agrico so they could be closer to their families.

Kidney Problems

In 1972, my sister was born. Dad decided he needed more life insurance, so he went in for the normal life insurance health tests. Much to my parents' surprise, he was turned down. The insurance agent told him he had high blood pressure. Dad went to the doctor and they ran some more tests and that is when the doctors discovered his kidney problems. His kidney problems were causing the high blood pressure so something would have to be done.

For about 5 years, Dad's health was regulated through diet -- the Giovannetti Diet. At the time, doctors did not know much

about this disease so the only way to control it was through diet. Dad could not eat any salty or “fatty” foods which is very hard when you’ve grown up in the South and your grandfather owns Bozo’s!

Even though Dad and Mom watch his diet closely, his kidney function continued to decline. Eventually, my dad’s kidneys stopped working. The doctors were called in again to find a solution to this problem. Luckily, medical advances had occurred and there was now a way to filter toxins from the blood. This procedure was dialysis. What a miracle! Dialysis was how Dad would be able to control his illness and continue living.

In 1977, Mom and Dad were able to buy a dialysis machine to use at home. Mom began training on Dad at Baptist Hospital Dialysis Center. She would “hook” Dad up to the machine under supervision. MawMaw would drive to town each morning to stay with me and Alicia while Mom and Dad left the house around 6am for training and treatment. Once the training was over, Mom started treating Dad at home. She would hook Dad to the machine every other day for six hours. This was a lot of work, but it was keeping Dad alive and, obviously, part of God’s plan.

Colorado Vacation

Things were going along well with dialysis so in the summer of 1979 we took a vacation to Colorado. Mom had scheduled treatments at a Colorado hospital. While Dad was getting one of his treatments, the man next to him asked, “When are you getting your kidney?” Dad told him he wasn’t sure, but he was on a list. The man told Dad that he was getting his next month. Apparently, they were using an experimental medicine that had shown great success. Mom also found out the kidney disease Dad had was called Gleymaranephrytis. It

seems that Denver was having great success and knew a lot about kidney disease.

We returned home from our vacation in August and on Dad’s first treatment at home he became violently sick – he would get migraine headaches and get sick to his stomach every time he was put on the machine. Dialysis would no longer be the answer for Dad’s kidney problems. Again, this was part of God’s plan!

In the meantime, Mom was working very hard to get Dr. Kelley to find out about the new procedures in Denver. Dr. Kelley did not believe in transplants as they were not very successful in the early days, so it took a bit of convincing for Mom to talk Dr. Kelley into investigating this new procedure. Finally, Dr. Kelley agreed to get in touch with Dr. Starzle and setup an appointment.

Dad and Mom traveled to Denver in December of 1979 to talk with Dr. Starzle and have some tests run. Dr. Starzle explained that the experimental drug they were using was called Cyclosporine and it had only been given to five doctors in the world! He also determined from the tests that Dad’s two blood antigens were within a range that made him eligible for a kidney transplant.

The doctors sent Mom and Dad home to have Christmas with their family along with instructions that they would call when they found a kidney. With a lot of prayers, we put Dad’s life in God’s hands and in January 1980, we got the call. They had a kidney for Dad!

Plans were made for Dad to go to Denver, but Mom was not going to be able to go because she had to stay with me and Alicia. Mom called her older brother, Richard, as I am sure she was a little worried about not going with Dad. Uncle Richard told her that Bubba, his son-in-law and Mom and Dad’s nephew, had a business trip planned for Denver. After

a few phone calls, it was discovered that Bubba and Dad were on the same flight! Dad would not be going out there alone.

Kidney Transplant

On February 2, 1980, Dad received a kidney. The operation was a success, and he now had a new kidney! Dad was the fifth person in the US to get a kidney using this new drug. Through the grace of God, Dad's body did not reject the organ and he was able to overcome an infection from the surgery. (SIDE NOTE: Dad's kidney came from a small child who died at school when he was opening a supply cabinet. There was a large container of glue on the top shelf... it fell and landed on his head.)

Heart Problems

Every year now for five years my dad had a heart attack. The doctors told us it was because of the prednisone he took as an anti-rejection medicine. One of the side effects of prednisone is muscle deterioration, the heart is a muscle and his was deteriorating.

In 1986, Dad had his annual spring heart attack, making this his sixth. It was a miracle Dad had made it this far with that many heart attacks. That summer the doctors at Baptist Central in Memphis performed open-heart surgery on dad, giving him six bypasses. A month later, he had another heart attack.

Things were looking very grim and the doctors gave my dad two weeks to live. Again, there was only one hope... a heart transplant. no one thought Dad was strong enough to live through a heart transplant. Dr. Starzle was called. he was working in Pittsburgh, PA at one of the leading heart

transplant hospitals in the nation, Pittsburgh Presbyterian Hospital.

Heart Transplant

In September 1986, Mom and Dad went to Pittsburgh Presbyterian Hospital. Dad was going to be evaluated for a heart transplant. After being tested all day, the doctors told him he had a 50/50 chance of making it through a transplant. As Mom and Dad were getting ready to leave the hospital, Dad's heart stopped beating. His heart stopped 15 times that day.

My sister and I were flown to Pittsburgh as no one thought Dad would make it through the night. Prayer requests were sent out and my dad did make it through the night. For six months Mom, my sister and I flew back and forth from Memphis to Pittsburgh. We were all tired. Dad had made it longer than anyone expected him too, but we were still waiting on a heart. God was watching and protecting all of us.

On March 22, 1987, we were told the doctors had a heart for Dad. It was a 16-year old heart from Memphis. God had been watching over us again and we knew the family of the young man who died. The doctors prepped Dad for surgery; they had cut his chest open but there ended up being a delay. For six hours, Dad was in the operating room waiting.

Dad's brother, Jerry, was there in the waiting room with me. I will never forget him saying to me, "I hope they throw a blanket over him, so the flies don't get in". Finally, the delay ended, and Dad got his new heart. The family who donated their son's heart came to see dad often and knew that part of their son was still alive - he was our miracle.

Dad makes the Funny Paper

The Memphis newspaper even had a cartoon about dad. It showed a man trying to collect his social security check. The lady at the social security window was telling him that he was not eligible for social security because “when you average your age with the age of your kidney and the age of your heart your only 28 years old!” We were all thrilled Dad was going to be okay.

On August 1, 1994, my dad died. His kidney and heart were working fine.

Obituary

Jim Tom Williams, 62, of Germantown, retired account executive for Rhone Poulenc, died Monday at Baptist Memorial hospital East after a stroke. Services will be at 1 p.m. Wednesday at First Evangelical Church, where he was a member, with burial in Helen Crigger Cemetery. Memphis Funeral Home Poplar Chapel has charge. He was a Korean War veteran, a graduate of the University of Tennessee, a member of Alpha Gamma Rho, past state president of the Arkansas Pesticide Association, and board director of Allenby Westfair Association. Mr. Williams, the husband of Margaret Nichols Williams, also leaves two daughters, Mary Lynne Rigsby of Collierville and Alicia Anne Williams of Jackson, Miss., a sister, Mary Ann Russell of Vicksburg, Miss., and a brother, Jerry Williams of Mason, Tenn. The family requests that any memorials be sent to the Kidney Foundation, Heart Foundation or First Evangelical Church.

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(back) Margaret, a friend (front) Jim Tom, Mary Lynne, and Alicia Williams

Another Photo Gallery

DR. ELBERT R. NICHOLS

Heart Attack Is Fatal To Munford Physician

MUNFORD, Tenn., Feb. 2.—
Dr. Elbert R. Nichols, Mun-
ford physician, died at 3 p.m.
Wednesday at his home after
a heart attack. He was 76.

Services will be at 3 p.m.
Thursday at First Methodist
Church. Burial will be in
Helen Crigger Cemetery with
Munford Funeral Home in
charge.

He was born at Clayton,
Tenn., and was reared at
Kenton. He was graduated
from a Dresden prep school
and from Vanderbilt College
of Medicine. He had been a
physician here since 1937. He
was a member of the First
Methodist Church.

He leaves his wife, Mrs.
Maude E. Nichols; three sons,
Elbert Nichols Jr. of Memphis,
and Walter Nichols and Rich-
ard Nichols, both of Munford,
and three daughters, Mrs. J.
T. Howard of Knoxville, Mrs.
Jim Tom Williams of Mem-
phis, and Mrs. Norris Gross
of Maryville.

Dr. Elbert Nichols

Services for Dr. Elbert R.
Nichols, 76, Munford, Tenn.,
physician, father of Elbert
Nichols Jr. and Mrs. Jim
Tom Williams of Memphis,
were at 3 p.m. today at
Munford First Methodist
Church with burial in Helen
Crigger Cemetery. Munford
Funeral Home was in
charge.

Dr. Nichols, who died
yesterday at his home, also
leaves his widow and four
other children including
Richard (Dick) Nichols of
Munford, who is regional
manager of the Tennessee
Department of Employment
Security.

Dr. Nichols Died at 76 Wednesday

Dr. Elbert R. Nichols, Munford physician since 1937, died of a heart attack at 3 o'clock Wednesday afternoon in his home.

Dr. Nichols, 76, was born at Clayton and reared in Kenton. He was educated in Cobb-Nichols Prep School at Dresden and was graduated from Vanderbilt University School of Medicine.

He was a member of Munford First Methodist Church. Dr. Nichols practiced medicine in Lake and Bradford counties before moving to Munford 29 years ago.

Funeral services were held at 3 o'clock this afternoon in First Methodist Church in Munford with Rev. Ken Burnette and Rev. George Jackson officiating. Burial was in Helen Crigger Cemetery with Munford Funeral Home in charge.

He leaves his wife, Mrs. Maude E. Nichols; three sons, Elbert Nichols Jr. of Memphis and Walter Nichols and Richard Nichols, both of Munford; three daughters, Mrs. Frances Howard of Knoxville, Mrs. Margaret Williams of Memphis and Mrs. Nancy Gross of Maryville and 13 grandchildren.

Dr. E. R. Nichols passed away suddenly last week after I sent in this column. The doctor will be missed greatly in Munford. He was a close friend and (kind of) in the family of John Bomar. He never went to town without going by Bomar's store and passing the time of day. He was a man of few words and usually thought before he spoke on any subject. This is a characteristic we'd all do well to pattern after his wisdom. He was the father of Richard and Walter Nichols, both of Munford, Frances of Nashville, Nancy of Knoxville, and E. R. Jr. and Margaret of Memphis. He had spent a long time in Munford -- long time in one way -- short in another. He and "Miss Mary" moved to Munford in 1937. I shall never forget. They lived next door to Munford Clinic.

They've Got the Men: Have You Got a Job to Fill?

Nichols Seeks More Listings From Firms

By CLARK PORTER
Press-Scimitar Staff Writer

The employment picture is "somewhat brighter" in Memphis.

That's the opinion of Richard T. Nichols, 35, Stanford, Tenn., after five weeks in his new post as manager of the West Tennessee District of Employment Security, in the new building at Poplar and Claybrook.

Nichols replaced W. S. (Tack) Uiherson, who was named to Gov. Ellington's cabinet as personnel director. Nichols had been office manager of the Memphis office, under Uiherson, since 1935.

Nichols was succeeded as office manager by L. B. (Doc) Dow Jr., 1880 Union.

'Need More Jobs'

"We are placing a good many people in jobs," Nichols said. "But we need more jobs. We want more firms to list job



—Press-Scimitar Staff Photo

THEY HELP FIND JOBS—That's the principal function of Employment Security, a state and federal agency. Richard T. Nichols, left, district manager, and L. B. (Doc) Dow Jr., office manager, are concentrating their efforts of finding jobs for the unemployed. They need more job listings.

public, and that about 300 people no longer come for the spring holiday had off have been called cultivation season. Nichols said mechanization strike ended. He said reports he and a large control have caused less demand for part-time farm workers. He said

what more firms to list job offers show an increase in employment in February.

Nichols said non-manufacturing employment probably didn't drop any more last month, while manufacturing employment increased. He said even though the construction work usually picks up then in March or April, and is beginning to pick up already. This year, he said, there was an increase of 400 in manufacturing employment, but a drop of 650 in non-manufacturing work.

He explained the drop in non-manufacturing work as normal for the time of the year, with after-Christmas layoffs. He said many scores hired extra employees for the Christmas rush, and some kept extra personnel on for January white sales, etc.

Good Up-Turn

And the up-turn in manufacturing employment is a little unusual at this time of the year, and it's good, he said.

Nichols estimated that about 370 of the non-manufacturing unemployment decrease was the result of reduction in temporary personnel for the holiday season.

"The next biggest reduction was in construction," he said. "Completion of contracts and unfavorable weather for starting new projects caused construction unemployment."

"I think the February employment will be up some. It looks as tho it's going to be up."

Nichols said the settlement of strike wage and hour law prevents strike in January will add around 1200 to employment on

time farm workers. He said automation also is cutting down some on industry's demand for labor.

Nichols said that in Memphis about 1500 fewer find claims for unemployment compensation in February than did in the February 1936. He said the year was about 80 times as many as in February 1936. He said the unemployment rate was down about 25% this year compared to last year. He said they are around 2900 now compared to 5000 a year ago.

"I think that's one of our healthiest signs," Nichols said. He said that some have exhausted their 22 weeks of compensation and have not returned to work, but the average compensation is 15 to 16 weeks before jobs are found. "I want to emphasize that we need more jobs to offer," he said. "We have around 5000 applications on file, people who want jobs."

Farm Labor Outlook

Nichols said Jewett Johnson, manager of the farm worker division, predicts there will be a decrease in available farm labor. He said some of the older farm workers have quit going out, and many buses which hauled farm workers to the field last year weren't fully loaded and the owners did not make a profit. He said some will quit this year.

Johnson says not as many people are going out, and the International Harvester wage and hour law prevents them from going out to work around 1200 to employment on



So few people in America who do not work, I might say we all belong to the working class. We are all working to live, and the word live really does mean just that. We must win the war to do that. We need a union war, not union hours and union wages. We can lose this war unless we all pull together. Neither do we believe Japan and Germany will permit us any kind of union then.

We have men, money and space; we need tanks, airplanes, ships and all kinds of implements for the men to use. It takes workers to make these, real men, not slackers, regardless of pay or hours, who will put their shoulders to the wheel and see how fast this can be done, making a perfect goal, victory. The lives of little children and old people are beckoning for you to save them and our beloved America. Just in other words, what will the unions profit to win the shortest hours and biggest salaries, and then all of us lose our country?



IN LOVING MEMORY OF



Nancy Nichols Gross

JANUARY 16, 1937 - JUNE 14, 2018

AFTERGLOW

I'D LIKE THE MEMORY OF ME TO
BE A HAPPY ONE.
I'D LIKE TO LEAVE AN AFTERGLOW
OF SMILES WHEN LIFE IS DONE.
I'D LIKE TO LEAVE AN ECHO
WHISPER SOFTLY DOWN THE
WAYS,
OF HAPPY TIMES AND LAUGHING
TIMES AND BRIGHT AND SUNNY
DAYS.
I'D LIKE THE TEARS OF THOSE
WHO GRIEVE, TO DRY BEFORE THE
SUN;
OF HAPPY MEMORIES THAT I
LEAVE WHEN LIFE IS DONE.

Nancy Nichols Gross, 81, of Phoenix, Arizona went to be with the Lord on Thursday, June 14, 2018 after a fight with cancer. She was surrounded by her family at the time of her passing.

Nancy was born in Memphis, Tennessee and moved to Munford, Tennessee before the age of one. Here she grew up and met and married her deeply loved and devoted husband of 62 years, Norris Gross. They moved to the Knoxville area where she worked to put her husband through The University of Tennessee. They had two sons, Jeff and Franklin, while in East Tennessee. Upon later returning to Memphis, Nancy became a successful Real Estate Broker, serving on the Board of Directors of the Memphis Area Association of Realtors and serving as President of the Women's Council of Realtors.

Later in life she moved to Phoenix, Arizona and enjoyed traveling, going on many cruises and spending time with her grandchildren and new great-granddaughter. Nancy was a devoted Christian Lady attending Arizona Community Church. She enjoyed going to Bible Study groups with the ladies. She always had a positive smile and attitude. She enjoyed meeting new people and helping in any way she could. She will be greatly missed by all.

Nancy is survived by her husband, Norris, sons Jeff (Dianna) and Franklin, sister Margaret Williams, grandchildren Tara, Duncan, Shelby, Joseph and Samantha, great-granddaughter Lainey Grace and many nieces and nephews.

In lieu of flowers in memory of Nancy, contributions can be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital in Memphis, Tennessee.



NICHOLS TO HANDLE EMPLOYMENT CLAIMS

Office To Be Open Four Days In
Week To Aid Unemployed

Richard Nichols, son of Dr. and Mrs. E. R. Nichols, of Munford, was looking for an office in Covington Wednesday. Mr. Nichols, War II veteran, will represent the State Department of Employment Security in Tipton County.

Mr. Nichols will have an office in the courthouse, it is understood. One of the witness rooms on the north side of the courtroom will be used. Mr. Nichols will be available there four days a week to hear the claims of veterans and unemployed workers.

The new employe of the Employment Security Department will spend one day a week in the district office at Brownsville. Dan Seates, in town with Mr. Nichols today, is head of the district office.

Mr. Seates has been coming to Covington one day a week, Thursday, to render assistance to claimants and job seekers. The Thursday morning crowds in the courthouse have been composed of the Tipton Countians trying to see Mr. Seates.

With four days a week available to them, the persons trying to do business with the Employment Security Department will receive better service. The office will be open Monday through Thursday.

Mrs. Dorothy Moore Nichols, age 89, of Sheffield, passed away Tuesday, March 1, 2011 at Helen Keller Hospital after a brief illness.

The funeral service will be held Friday at 4:00 p.m. in the Elkins Funeral Home Chapel. Sid Fulford and Neil Terry will officiate. Visitation will

be from 2:00 p.m. until service time.

Mrs. Nichols was a previous resident of Rosemark, Memphis and Munford, Tennessee. She and her husband, Walter Piercy Nichols, moved to

Sheffield in 2001. After 63 years of marriage, Mr. Nichols passed away in 2003.

Mrs. Nichols is survived by three sons, David E. Nichols and wife Janet of Tuscumbia, Steve Nichols and wife Barbara of Florence, and Bryan

Nichols of San Francisco, California; grandchildren, Kristy Van Rensselaer and husband Mike of Muscle Shoals and Craig Nichols of Ithaca,

New York; great-grandchildren Miranda and Alexander Van Rensselaer, Hannah, Kayleigh, April and Samuel Nichols.

Pallbearers will be David Nichols, Steve Nichols, Bryan Nichols, Craig Nichols, Douglas Cochran and Mike Van Rensselaer.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to East Acres Baptist Church, 6904 Navy Road, Millington, Tennessee 38053.

June 6, 1921 – March 1, 2011

[The Commercial Appeal, Memphis, Tenn., Unknown Date]



Elizabeth Ann Hinds Seckt (1861-1898) Cousin - Dr. Joe's daughter

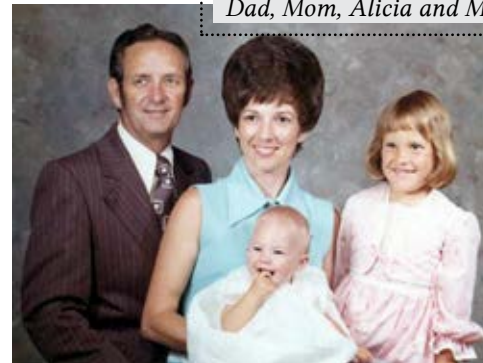


Dad and Mary Lynne - Dad was getting his heart transplant

Alicia Anne Williams Howes



Dad, Mom, Alicia and Mary Lynne - church picture





Dad coming hom from getting his new heart! Aunt Helen, Franklin, Mom, Mary Lynne, Dad and Alicia



Dad coming hom from getting his new heart! Uncle Elbert, Dad, Uncle Jerry and Alicia



Jennifer, Dad and Alicia playing Scrabble at MawMaw's house.



Christmas 1987



Dad, Alicia and Mary Lynne - Dad was giving us a horsey back ride.



Mary Lynne, Dad and Alicia on vacation



These are some of the guys dad worked with - Emory is the third from the left and dad has on the green vest.



Alicia, Dad, Mary Lynne, Tara and Duncan

Mom and Dad's 25th wedding anniversary



Johnny, Mary Lynne and Alicia



Alicia's graduation from Millsaps College 1994

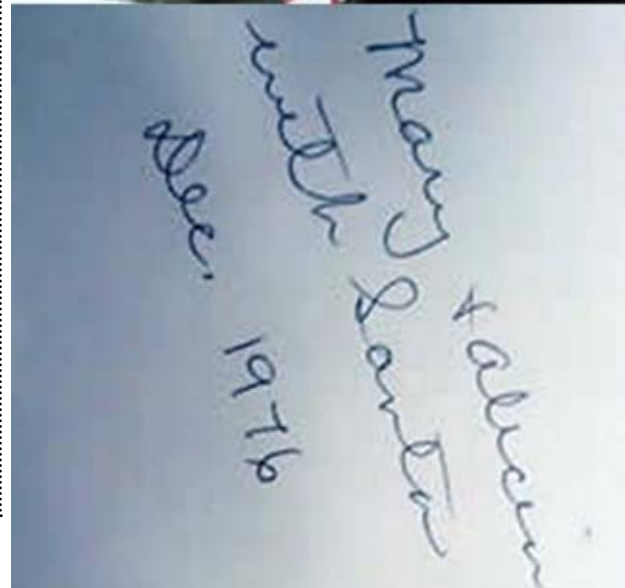


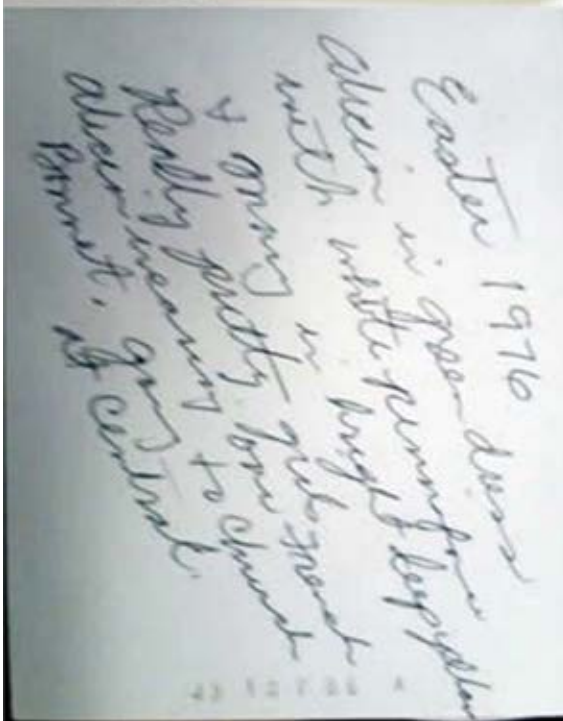
December 22, 1974 - Mom's Birthday!



Christmas eve 1987

This is the Christmas I began to question Santa. Mom took us to the Goldsmith's downtown. They had a BIG display and always very long lines. When we finally got up to Santa, he asked me if we would be at home this year or at mason! From the look on my face, I was obviously taken back. Mom said they never knew who the Santa was but he saved Santa that year!





Mary Lynne, Alicia and Keith Piercy



Mary Lynne



Mom and Alicia on a vacation



Mom sledding with the neighborhood kids - I think that is Troy, Neal, Chris Lambert, Alicia and Ricky Route



Duncan and Wilkie



Jackson and Wilkie



Alicia's wedding party

Elizabeth, Ed, Margaret, Nancy, and Norris



Rodney, Jason, Wilkie and Jackson



Jason, Wilkie, Alicia, Jackson, Mary Lynne and Rodney





Rodney Rigsby



Rodney, Mary Lynne and Franklin



Rodney & Mary Lynne

Mary Lynne, Franklin and Alicia





*Alicia, Caroline and
Mary Lynne*



Mary Lynne, Caroline and Rodney



*Rodney, Mary Lynne
and Margaret*



Rodney and Mary Lynne



Rodney and Coal

Alicia, Mary Lynne and Mom, Margaret Alice Nichols Williams



Alicia, Duncan, Mom, Tara and Jackson, Nannie, Glenda, Mary Lynne holding Wilkie



Margaret Alice Nichols Williams



Jackson, Wilkie, Jason, Alicia, Mary Jo Howes, Margaret, Joe Howes, Rodney and Mary Lynne



top row: Wilkie, Julia, Alicia, Jason, Johnathan, Jennifer, Joe front row: Joelan, Jackson, Mary Jo, Margaret, Mary Lynne, Rodney and PeeWee, and Caroline and Heddle James



Rodney, Mary Lynne, Jackson, Mom, Jason, Alicia and Wilkie



Jackson, Rodney, Mary Lynne, Mom (Margaret), Alicia, Jason and Wilkie



Jason, Mary Lynne, Mom (Margaret), Alicia, Rodney, Wilkie and Jackson at Shogun Restaurant



Mom (Margaret), Shelby Gross and Mary Lynne



Mary Lynne, Jackson, Rodney, Alicia, Mom and Wilkie



Wilkie, Mom, Mary Lynne, Alicia, Jackson



Franklin, Mary Lynne, Uncle Norris and Shelby



*(left page) Nannie and Uncle Norris' 60th anniversary;
back row: Wilkie, Alicia, Jason, Mary Lynne, Shelby,
Wayne, Uncle Norris, Kerry, Franklin, Lent, Ryan; front
row l to r: Dee, Jeff, Duncan, Mom (Margaret), Nannie,
Joe, Glenda and Tara (above) Mary Lynne, Jeff, Tara,
Duncan, and Alicia (below) Rodney, Mary Lynne, Alicia,
Wilkes, Jason and Mom in front (Margaret)*





*(left page)
Franklin,
Alicia, Jason,
Mom, Tara,
Ryan, Shelby,
Wilkie,
Nannie, Uncle
Norris, Jeff,
Duncan, Mary
Lynne and
Joe (above)
Franklin, Jeff,
Nannie and
Uncle Norris
(bottom)
Nancy Anne
Nichols Gross
(Aunt Nannie)*



*Nannie and her great
granddaughter, Lainey Grace
Burt*



*Mom, Aunt Dorothy, Uncle
Walter and Jackson Howes*



Mom, Uncle Walter, Aunt Nannie, and Aunt Dorothy



Uncle Walter & Aunt Dorothy



Nichols brothers & sisters - Uncle Walter, Aunt Nannie, Uncle Elbert, Mom, & Uncle Richard (not in the picture is Aunt Frances)

Form 1		REGISTRATION CARD		No. 53
1	Name in full	Elbert Royal Nichols	Age in yrs.	27
2	Home address	RR 11, Hanksville, Tenn.		
3	Date of birth	Oct 30 1888		
4	Mar. (1) married, (2) a naturalized citizen, (3) an alien, (4) no basis for federal post	Married 13 yrs.		
5	Where born	Kenton, Ohio, Tenn. U.S.A.		
6	If not a citizen, at what country and how long in U.S.A.?			
7	What is your present trade, occupation, or other?	Physician 28		
8	By whom employed?	for self, Tenn.		
9	Have you a father, mother, wife, child under 18, or a sister or brother under 18, wholly dependent on you for support (specify which)?	Wife, 1 child		
10	What are your children's names?	Benjamin, Allison		
11	What military service have you had? Rank	None		
12	Do you claim exemption from draft? (specify grounds)	Yes to support family		
I affirm that I have verified above answers and that they are true.				
E. R. Nichols M.D.				

REGISTRAR'S REPORT		44-223.A
1	Is the person a citizen of the U.S.A.?	Yes
2	Is the person a resident of the U.S.A.?	Yes
3	Is the person a resident of the U.S.A.?	Yes
I certify that my answers are true, that the person registered has read his own answers, that I have witnessed his signature, and that all of his answers of which I have knowledge are true, except as follows:		
None		
Dr. Elbert Royal Nichols Sr. (Signature of Registrar)		
City or County		
State		
June 5, 1917 (Date of registration)		

Dr. Elbert Royal Nichols Sr. Registration Card

A Sad Story



Memphis Press Scimitar
Saturday, December 19, 1931

DRAB FUTURE FACES THREE LEFT ORPHANS BY BULLETS

Photo Caption

Orphaned when their mother was shot to death by an alleged lover Friday afternoon, little Norma William, 7, Frances Christine, 13, and Dorothy Zelle Moore, 10, of Rosemark, were planning to "be something big for her" Saturday.

Mrs. Hugh T Rodgers (lower photo), mother of the children, died Saturday morning. H. Clifton King, superintendent of her farm, shot Mrs. Rodgers fatally, then killed himself.

But Children of Slain Widow Do Best To "Make Things Nice" In Motherless Home

by Virginia Winkelman

While the rain poured down outside the little white farmhouse which the man who killed their widowed mother had built for them two years before, three little girls busied themselves as plans were being made for their drab future.

With solemn, tearless faces they were doing their best to "make things nice."

They probably will be sent to the Masonic orphans home at Nashville, relatives said Saturday.

Holding Vigil at Bedside

Frances Christine, 13, Dorothy Zelle, 10, and Norma William, 7, all were at school Friday afternoon when H. Clifton King, superintendent of the little farm at Rosemark shot first the children's mother, Mrs. Hugh T. Rodgers, then himself after a quarrel over an auto ride.

King died immediately. The three children were hustled into Memphis after their mother, who was carried to Baptist Hospital. They watched thru the night until she died at 3 a.m. Saturday morning.

Then they went back home to "get things ready for her." Miss Mary Ella Davidson, 18, visiting in the home at the time is with them. She was a witness to the shooting.

Not One is Crying

But, according to Frances Christine, 13, Mary Ella is a visitor and doesn't know how to fix things or where.

Frances Christine is doing them herself. Doing them and - smiling in the midst of death. "Mother thought the world of us," says Frances Christine. "And I'd promised to be big for her. I'm starting right now by trying to look on the cheerful side of things."

And Frances Christine has coached the younger sisters. Norma William isn't feeling very well but none of them are crying.

Say "He" Was Kind

"He" says Frances Christine, not mentioning King by any name, "was looking tolerable blue lately. But he was never mean. The house was a log cabin till he built it up for us. After Mr. Rodgers died he came to live with us. He made our crop last year and again this year."

The three children made a special little crop of their own which King taught them to care for, according to Frances Christine.

"He always was kind," the child says. "At Christmas he gave us nice presents."

She Knows the Future

"We were going to have a big Christmas this year if his mother and father could come out." King's parents, who live in Memphis, were at the house at the time of the shooting.

Frances Christine understands exactly what is going to happen to them now.

"We're going to the Masonic school in Nashville until we're 18." She says, "We're going to study hard and do something big for mother.

"We've all made good attendance records this year and

Norma Sue won a certificate last year for penmanship."

She left off making the bed for her dead mother to show a little framed certificate Norma Sue had won.

King's wife, who made her home at Normal, left Memphis Thursday night for St. Louis, where her mother is seriously ill. King also leaves a brother, C. S. King, of 895 Kensington, a married daughter, Mary Louise and a son, W. C. King.

The three children of Mrs. Rodgers are Frances, 12, Dorothy, 10, and Norma, seven. The children were all in school at Brunswick when the tragedy occurred. King's aged parents, Mr. and Mrs. William King were at the doorway when their son ended his life after firing at Mrs. Rodgers. yesterday was Mrs. King's 79th birthday, little Dorothy said.

Miss Davidson, the niece left her home in pine Bluff several days ago to spend the Christmas holidays with Mrs. Rodgers, who is her paternal aunt.

"When my papa died," Frances the oldest girl said, "I went to the Masonic school at Nashville. My papa was a Mason, and he lost his mind because he was always going around and around on his mail route at Halls."

"Lord," said Miss Davidson looking at Frances' wristwatch, "it has been more than two hours now that she has been in the operating room, I wonder what they are doing to her?"

"I don't know," said Frances, "but I wish she would come out."

"There has been something the matter with Clifton (King) for two or three days," Dorothy volunteered. "He has been going around with his head hanging down all the time - like he was worried."

Neither the children nor Miss Davidson seemed to grasp the situation or even to realize that King was dead. His body is at

the J. T. Hinton & Son funeral parlors, awaiting the completion of burial arrangements.



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**LOVERS FUSS; ONE DEAD, OTHER DYING
parents See Clifton King Commit Suicide After Wounding
Mrs. Rodgers.**

QUARRELED ABOUT RIDE

**Rosemark Farm Manager Shoots Inamorata and Sends
Bullet Through Own Brain When She Denies Him Lift to
Town**

Denied the right to a ride to town with Mrs. Hugh T. Rodgers, 33, his alleged inamorata, Clifton King, 48, manager of the Rodgers farm at Rosemark, stood on the farmhouse porch in the presence of his aged parents yesterday afternoon and committed suicide after shooting Mrs. Rodgers.

Mrs. Rodgers is in a serious condition at Baptist Hospital. Doctors certain little hope for her recovery. She is a widow and the mother of three small daughters.

One of the three bullets fired from a ranger of six feet from a .38-caliber revolver, pierced her abdomen. She fainted in the driveway where she was standing. King placed the smoking muzzle to his right temple and fired. His body toppled from the porch to an oak grove near the drive.

Body Left in Yard

Dr. C. C. Chaffee of Brunswick, took Mrs. Rodgers to the

hospital after administering a hypodermic. King's body was left lying in the grove. There was nothing that a doctor could do for him.

An emergency operation was performed on Mrs. Rodgers last night by Dr. Eugene Johnson while the three little girls, the oldest only 12, sat in the sun parlor on the floor below without realizing the slenderness of the thread by which their mother held to life in the operating room above.

Miss Mary Ella Davidson, 20, niece of Mrs. Rodgers, who was at the farmhouse during the tragedy, told reporters that she and Mrs. Rodgers were preparing to go to Brunswick to do some shopping and that King, who had the car keys, wanted to go along.

"I'm going! See!" King said.

"No, you're not." Mrs. Rodgers replied, "Give me those kieys!"

Shoots Self Through Head

"With that," said Miss Davidson, "he walked in the house and came out with that gun. He walked to the edge of the porch and he fired three times at my aunt. Then he shot himself through the head and fell out on the lawn."

King, who was married and the father of two grown children, had been manager of the Rodgers' farm for almost two years. He had lived at the farmhouse following the death of Mrs. Rodgers' second husband, Hugh T. Rodgers, 69, wealthy Rosemark farmer, who died under mysterious circumstances, and whose body was exhumed by order of county authorities last spring to be examined for traces of poisoning.

Nieces of Mr. Rodgers, second husband of Mrs. Rodgers, became suspicious of the circumstances surrounding their uncle's death and were also suspicious of her relationship with King. Mr. Rodgers died of convulsions on last March 4,

and Mrs. Rodgers, herself, told doctors that prior to his death, her husband had been bathing his feet in a mercury solution.

Poison Probe Was Dropped

“If death was due to that poisoning, it had to be taken internally.” Dr. Chaffee said at the time. But analysis was made at city laboratories, no trace of any poisoning was found and Attorney General McLain dropped the investigation.

Mrs. Rodgers’ first husband, Archie Moore, Halls, Tenn., mail carrier, died of a nervous disorder in the Bolivar asylum four years ago. A short while later on Dec. 15, 1927, Mrs. Rodgers, who had moved to Memphis, Married the elderly Mr. Rodgers.

It was Mr. Rodgers who first contracted with King to manage his \$15,000 Rosemark farm, and King continued in his capacity of manager while tongues in Rosemark wagged, even after the death of Mr. Rodgers.



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BULLETS FATAL TO MOTHER OF 3 Woman Wounded by “Lover” Dies in Hospital

Shot twice by her alleged lover because she refused to take him for a ride in her new car. Mrs. Hugh T. Rodgers, 38, widowed mother of three children, died at 3 a.m. Saturday at Baptist Hospital.

H. Clifton King, manager of Mrs. Rodgers’ farm near Rosemark, shot himself in the temple after wounding her at 2:45 p.m. Friday. He died instantly. Mrs. Rodgers was shot in

the abdomen and thru the back.

The only witnesses to the slaying and suicide were Mary Ella Davidson, niece of Mrs. Rodgers, and Mr. and Mrs. W. C. King, aged parents of King.

The Rodgers farm is about one-half mile northeast of Rosemark, Mrs. Rodgers inherited it from her second husband, Hugh T. Rodgers, who died March 14 under what his relatives regarded as suspicious circumstances. his body was exhumed six months afterward but an examination failed to reveal any traces of poisoning.

Mrs. Rodgers’ first husband, Willam Bryan Moore, father of her three children died four years ago.

Mrs. Rodgers will be buried in Halls, Tenn., her former home. Funeral arrangements are in charge of R. S. Maley, Covington undertaker.

Mrs. Rodgers is also survived by one sister, Mrs. Mattie Fiveash of Munford, Tenn., and two brothers, Claude Davidson of Quito, Tenn., and Barney Davidson, Pine Bluff, Ark.

King, a former conductor, lived at 3893 Central. He is survived by his wife, two children by a former marriage. Mrs. Mary Louise Farrell of Memphis and W. C. King of Graystone Park, N.J.; a brother, C. S. King, of Memphis, and two sisters, Mrs. W. D. Carvell, Allensville, KY., and Mrs. G. H. Robson, Nashville.

Funeral arrangements for King are in charge of J. T. Hinton & Son.

1 PLACE OF DEATH		STATE OF TENNESSEE	
County <u>Harden</u>		STATE BOARD OF HEALTH Bureau of Vital Statistics CERTIFICATE OF DEATH <u>24423</u>	
Civil Dist. <u>1</u>	Registration District No. _____	File No. _____	
Village <u>Bolivar</u>	Primary Registration District No. _____	Registered No. _____	
City _____	(No. _____) (Ward _____)	(If death occurred in a hospital or institution, give the NAME (instead of street and number.)	
2 FULL NAME <u>William B Moore</u>			
PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS		MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH	
3 SEX <u>M</u>	4 COLOR OR RACE <u>W</u>	5 MARRIAGE STATUS <u>Married</u>	6 DATE OF DEATH <u>Nov. 2</u> 19 <u>27</u>
6 DATE OF BIRTH <u>Nov 24</u> 189 <u>7</u>		I HEREBY CERTIFY, That I attended deceased from <u>Nov 18</u> 192 <u>7</u> to <u>Nov 2</u> 192 <u>7</u> .	
7 AGE <u>29</u> yrs. <u>11</u> mos. <u>18</u> ds.	8 OCCUPATION <u>Mail Carrier</u>	that I last saw him alive on <u>Nov. 1</u> 192 <u>7</u> and that death occurred, on the date stated above, at <u>30</u> M.	
9 BIRTHPLACE <u>Tenn</u>	10 NAME OF FATHER <u>W. R. Moore</u>	The CAUSE OF DEATH* was as follows: <u>Bronchial Pneumonia</u>	
11 BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER <u>Tenn</u>	12 MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER <u>L. M. Kelley</u>	Contributory <u>Epileptic Psychosis</u>	
13 BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER <u>Tenn</u>	14 THE ABOVE IS TRUE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE	Signed <u>L. A. Misch</u> M. D. Address <u>Western State Hospital</u>	
(Address) <u>Western State Hospital</u>		* State the DISEASE CAUSING DEATH, or, in death from violent causes, state (1) MEANS OF INJURY; and (2) whether ACCIDENTAL, SUICIDE, or HOMICIDE. State whether or not an operation was performed.	
15 (Address) <u>Nov. 1927 Mrs L. P. Russell</u>		16 LENGTH OF RESIDENCE (FOR HOSPITALS, INSTITUTIONS, TRANSIENTS, OR SOJOURNERS) At place of death <u>9</u> mos. <u>18</u> ds. In the State <u>OK</u>	
17 (Address) <u>Nov. 1927 Mrs L. P. Russell</u>		18 PLACE OF BURIAL OR REMOVAL <u>Halls Tenn</u> DATE OF BURIAL <u>Nov 2</u> 192 <u>7</u>	
19 (Address) <u>Nov. 1927 Mrs L. P. Russell</u>		20 UNDERTAKER <u>Knowl W. Wyse</u> ADDRESS <u>Halls Tenn</u>	



(left) William Bryan Moore (right) William Bryan Moore with wife, Archie Lee Davison Moore

Corones C. H. Miller —

Form V. B. No. 4

MARGIN RESERVED FOR BINDING

Size 8 1/2 x 11 1/2

N. B.—WRITE PLAINLY, WITH UNFADING INK—THIS IS A PERMANENT RECORD. Every item of information should be carefully supplied. AGE should be stated EXACTLY. PHYSICIANS should state CAUSE OF DEATH in plain terms, so that it may be properly classified. Exact statement of OCCUPATION is very important. See instructions on back of certificate.

1. PLACE OF DEATH County <u>Shelby</u>		STATE OF TENNESSEE STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH BUREAU OF VITAL STATISTICS CERTIFICATE OF DEATH	
Civil Day <u># 1</u>		Date <u>May 2, 1901</u>	
Village <u>Roanoke, Tenn</u>		File No. <u>10</u>	
City <u>Roanoke, Tenn</u>		Reg. No. <u>210</u>	
Length of residence <u>10 yrs</u>		Ward <u>Roanoke, Tenn</u>	
2. FULL NAME <u>A. Carter King</u>		Sex <u>Male</u>	
(a) Residence: No. <u>Roanoke, Tenn</u>		Street <u>St.</u>	
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Length of residence <u>17</u> years		(WARD) (Name of street and number)		
2. FULL NAME <u>Mrs. T. J. Rogers</u>		A. Sex <u>Female</u> B. Date born <u>12-10-1878</u>		
(a) Residence: <u>N. Belmont St.,</u>		C. Date of death <u>Dec 19</u> D. Date of burial <u>Dec 19</u>		
		E. Buried in U. S. or foreign hospital <u>No</u>		
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Archie Lee Davidson Moore Rodgers

Mother of Aunt Dorothy Moore Nichols

